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FIERCE FIGHT IN STREETS OF FRISCO

POLICE ATTACKED WITH SCRAP IRON AND BRICKS

Several Men Were Injured—Seventeen of the Rioters Taken Into Custody.

(Associated Press.)

San Francisco, April 9.—The fiercest riots San Francisco has witnessed in a generation was a sequel last evening to a meeting of Socialists held at Woodward's pavilion as an expression of sympathy for President Moyer and Secretary Haywood, of the Western Federation of Miners, who are imprisoned in Idaho on the accusation that they were implicated in the assassination of former Governor Stuenenberg. At the meeting some violent Socialistic speeches were made in which it was declared that Moyer and Haywood were innocent and that if convicted they would not be hanged unless the entire United States army was brought in to assist their execution.

At the conclusion of the speech making a procession was organized and the participants in the assemblage marched down Market street headed by a band. At the corner of Kearney and Market streets a halt was made and one of the paraders who carried a red banner climbed Lotta's fountain and affixed the emblem to the topmost lamps. The banner bore the inscription, "The Constitution Be Damned, so Say the Corporations." It was decided by the leaders to hold an outdoor meeting and A. G. McGinity was selected to address the crowd. So great was the throng, however, that he could not make himself heard, and George S. Holmes, a metal worker, with a powerful voice, was substituted as speaker. He was in the midst of his talk when policemen J. Stelmer and W. J. Cavanagh and Detective Ryan made their way through the crowd. Ryan tore down the flag and passed it to Stelmer. He then ordered Holmes to desist, but was met with a refusal and the detective pulled Holmes down to the pavement. In a moment a riot was precipitated. Stelmer was knocked down and kicked in a vicious hand-to-hand fight and the flag torn from his grasp. Ryan, who had held Holmes all the time, started to take his prisoner through the crowd, beating a path with his club to a passing car. The two men boarded it while the other officers kept the crowd back. Near the fountain a new building is being erected and the street was full of debris. Almost instantly there was a shower of scrap iron, bricks and blocks of wood upon the car and the missiles crashed through the windows, injuring a number of passengers. The motorman was made a target, but he slowly forced his car through the human blockade and gaining speed left the crowd behind.

In the meantime alarm calls had been sent to neighboring police stations and patrolmen came hurrying to the scene. They found themselves confronted by a maddened crowd, armed with sticks and stones and for half an hour a lively battle was in progress. Then the police used their clubs with telling effect and the crowd retaliated viciously. Several policemen were struck by flying bricks. Policeman Seguine was knocked down and kicked and seriously injured.

Seventeen of the rioters were arrested.

Holmes, the orator, was charged with disturbing the peace.

MINERS WILL MEET.

To Consider Plans For Settling Strike In Western Ohio and West Virginia.

(Associated Press.)

Wheeling, W. Va., April 9.—A call was issued to-day by the mine workers union for a convention in this city next Thursday of delegates representing number eight vein mines in Western Ohio and West Virginia to consider plans for a settlement of the strike. The prospects seem bright for an adjustment of the differences and an early resumption of work in the district. Twenty thousand miners are affected.

PRINCE ARTHUR.

His Royal Highness Welcomed to the Prairie Capital.

(Associated Press.)

Winnipeg, April 9.—A dull sky and damp streets greeted Prince Arthur here at noon. It did not rain this morning, but the condition of the streets marred the enjoyment to some extent. Prince Arthur arrived shortly before noon, and was welcomed by officials and a committee and thousands of people. A squadron of troops escorted the Prince to the city hall, where he was presented with a civic address.

The Prince was not out of his bed when passing Portage la Prairie at 9 o'clock, and people there were disappointed.

THE HAGUE CONFERENCE.

Germany Has Suggested Postponement in Order Not to Interfere With Berne Convention.

(Associated Press.)

Berlin, April 9.—The Associated Press is officially informed that the German government has suggested an adjournment of the second peace conference at the Hague in order not to interfere with the Berne (Red Cross) conference, where the Geneva convention will be revised. Germany has not suggested July as the month for the conference, but is trying to persuade Russia to postpone assembling the Hague convention so that the North, Central and South American states may be able to send representatives to the European conference without interfering at the same time with the Pan-American congress at Rio Janeiro.

CHICAGO'S NEW PARTY.

Labor and Reform Organization For Progressive Alliance.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, April 9.—With the declaration that widespread graft in civic life and the domination of political bosses have produced a condition more dangerous to the republic than that which led to the civil war, representatives of sixty-three labor and reform organizations met yesterday in convention and launched a new political party. A permanent organization has been formed and officers have been elected. The new party is to be known as the Chicago Progressive Alliance, and it plans to capture the primaries and nominate men to office who will be free from the influence of any of the old political party machines.

CHICAGO ZIONITES SUPPORT VOLIVA

OVERSEER PIPER'S ARRAIGNMENT OF DOWIE

Accused Deposed Leader of Teaching Polygamy and Challenges Him to Do His Worst.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, April 9.—While the great meeting at Shiloh Tabernacle was in progress yesterday, more than 1,500 Chicago members of the Christian Catholic church gathered in the central tabernacle at 1,625 Michigan avenue, and heard Overseer Piper deliver a stern arraignment of the deposed leader and his family.

In response to a request for an expression of opinion, the audience almost unanimously voted to stand by Overseer Voliva and his cabinet.

In the address, Overseer Piper accused Dr. Dowie of teaching polygamy. Throughout it all was a note of sorrow for the shame of the old leader, but paramount in the sermon was a challenge to Dowie to do his worst.

"You will not find the people of Zion City standing behind the lace factory when Dowie goes back," said the speaker. "What will he do? I don't know. He may find some judge foolish enough to grant him an injunction or some court silly enough to put him back in control, but I don't believe so. If he goes back into power, those of you who have invested money may as well say bood-bye to it. He's a master at weeping and all he will need to do is to weep, and some of you will fall on your knees.

NEW POST FOR TENNEY.

Professor Will Act as Superintendent of Chinese Students in America and England.

(Associated Press.)

Pekin, April 9.—Yuaan Shi Hai, viceroy of Chi Li province, who was forced by the pressure of the anti-foreign faction to accept the resignation of Prof. C. D. Tenney, foreign director of education on February 5th last, has now given Prof. Tenney an important mission abroad. For the next four years he will act as superintendent of all Chinese students in America and England, numbering just now about 4,000. Prof. Tenney will soon start for America with sixty students who will enter eastern colleges.

Another American, named C. D. Jameson, an engineer, has been given charge of the construction work on all buildings erected by foreigners and other important foreign works.

Prof. Tenney, when he resigned, was the president of the imperial university at Tientsin, and was recognized as one of the best educators in China, where he has resided for 24 years.

ENGLISH BYE-ELECTION.

Liberal Returned in Suffolk—Marquis of Graham Defeated.

Logdon, April 7.—The bye-election yesterday in the Eye division of Suffolk resulted in the election of H. Pearson, Liberal, a son of Sir Weetman Pearson, by a majority of 197 over the Marquis of Graham, Conservative, eldest son of the Duke of Montrose.

The campaign was known as the "Ladies' Battle," because the most prominent figures in it were Lady Mary Hamilton, the richest woman of Great Britain, who is engaged to be married to the Marquis of Graham, and the young wife of Pearson.

The small Liberal majority is chiefly due to the intense popularity in the county of Lady Mary, who appealed personally to the voters and asked them to give her as a wedding present the election to parliament of her future husband.

JAP CRUISER LAUNCHED.

(Associated Press.)

Tokio, April 9.—The Japanese armored cruiser Akoma, of 13,750 tons, was successfully launched at Kure to-day.

THE OPPOSITION GAINS STRENGTH

ADDITIONAL RETURNS OF RUSSIAN ELECTION

St. Petersburg Paper Warns Government that it Must Now Listen to Voice of the People.

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, April 9.—Belated returns to-day only increased the magnitude of the opposition's victory. Kursk returned a solid progressive delegation headed by Prince Peter Dolgoroukoff. M. Sherkoff, one of the members elected to the lower house of parliament is now in prison. Vitebsk elected two Poles, one a Catholic priest and one a progressive, two constitutional democrats and two peasants. Vladimir, one of the old capitals of Russia, where the orthodox faith is particularly strong, chose a monarchist, but the electoral college elected five constitutional delegates.

Tula is the only province except Moscow which elected a majority of Conservatives. The result in Moscow province consitutes an anomaly in the elections. All the Constitutional Democrats went down, but the result was engineered through a deal with the reactionists and a portion of the Otoberists, who gained the support of peasants in the electoral college by allowing them an additional member. The bargain was so distasteful to M. Shipoff, the prominent Zemstvo leader, and Michetverikoff that they declined to be parties to it, withdrawing their candidature and also induced the Constitutional Democrats to withdraw their ticket, which includes Prince Paul Deligroukoff, Prince Galitzin, M. Kokoshkine, Prof. Mourmtseff and M. Golovin. As a net result the province of Moscow, the real heart of Russia, sends to parliament comparatively unknown men, two peasant workmen, Prince Bashoff, M. Kreadnar and Peter Strube.

The Reich (organ of the constitutional democrats) terms it a splendid victory, and referring to the election of men like M. Peterunkvitch and M. Bodltcheff, who first demanded a constitution for Russia, and Prince Shakovski, who gave a fortune to aid the liberation movement, the paper points out that these are the very people whose ideas the Emperor twelve years ago called foolish dreams. The Reich then issued a solemn warning as follows: "If Count Witte last November had had a little feeling, and had listened to the words of Peterunkvitch the world would not have witnessed the horrors of the present revolution. The voice of the people becomes clearer and louder daily. If the government does not listen to it, the country is destined to pass through a cataclysm a hundred fold worse than anything heretofore."

The Twentieth Century, formerly the Russ, declares that the election proves that the strength of the opposition to the government from Finland to the Caucasus, adding that "when we recall the police preparations with the first stage of the elections how many of the original electors now ornament the prisons and that the elections were held virtually under the regime of martial law, the result is all the more remarkable. The Novoe Vremya last week said that St. Petersburg was only a dot on the map of Russia. What will it say now? Can it doubt that the government will not have an obedient parliament."

Results in Moscow.

Moscow, April 9.—The city of Moscow has returned 160 electors, all Constitutional Democrats.

NEW YORK HOUSE SMITHS

Will Endeavor to Bring Strike to Crisis on First of May.

(Associated Press.)

New York, April 9.—The Times says: "The officers of the House Smiths' Union announced yesterday that they will make a supreme effort to bring their fight of the union against the open shop to a crisis on May 1st, when the building season is supposed to begin. They expect that the other building trades unions will then demand that the open shop declaration against the House Smiths' Union be recalled by the allied iron associations and strike if it is not."

PIONEER BISHOP DEAD.

Portland, April 8.—B. Wistar Morris, bishop of the Protestant Episcopal church for the diocese of Oregon, died shortly after 12 o'clock this morning.

Bishop Morris, who was almost 87 years old, has been failing in health for some time. He ate supper with his family last night as usual, but after going to bed began to sink rapidly. This continued until the end came.

Bishop Morris was born in New York May 30th, 1819. He came to Oregon in the early days as missionary bishop of the Episcopal church, and a few years later, when the diocese of Oregon was established, was made its head. He is said to have been the oldest bishop in the United States.

Thomas Logan, sheriff of Nye county, Nev., was shot and killed Saturday night at Manhattan by a gambler known as "Blondy" Berry. Logan attempted to prevent a pistol duel between Berry and another gambler, and received the shots which killed him.

FAIR WAGE OFFICER

D. J. O'Donaghue Is on His Way to Golden.

(Associated Press.)

Winnipeg, April 9.—D. J. ODonaghue, Dominion fair wage officer, of Ottawa, was here Saturday on his way to British Columbia, where he will look into the payment of wages to men employed on the construction of a section of railway from Golden, B. C., to the United States border.

WINNIPEG'S NEW HOTEL.

By Permission of the Queen It Will Be Named "The Royal Alexandra."

(Associated Press.)

Winnipeg, April 9.—By permission of Queen Alexandra, the new Canadian Pacific hotel here will be named "The Royal Alexandra." It will be opened in June.

THE COAL MINERS AND OPERATORS

CONFERENCE POSTPONED UNTIL TO-MORROW

Representatives of Men Believe Employers Will Submit a Proposal Regarding Arbitration.

(Associated Press.)

New York, April 9.—At the request of the operators, the conference between committees of the coal operators and the miners to consider the situation in the anthracite fields, which was scheduled to be held to-day, was postponed until to-morrow.

It was announced that the postponement of the conference was requested because some of the operators had not yet had sufficient opportunity to consider the miners proposition for arbitration.

The two sub-committees held separate sessions yesterday to consider the situation as it now stands.

The miners' committee had little to do as their latest proposition is still in the hands of the operators. Mr. Mitchell and his lieutenants express the belief that the operators will not accept their offer, but will present an arbitration plan radically different from the one they proposed. The miners have decided that if a counter proposition is made they will ask for an immediate adjournment for a day or two or longer in order that the full committee may carefully consider the new plan. If the operators offer to arbitrate only a few grievances the proposition is expected to meet with strong opposition from the miners' committee who say there are many old grievances that need adjusting.

NANAIMO MINES ARE FOUND TO BE SAFE

Reports Concerning Presence of Gas Contradicted by Special Agent Who Made Inspection.

It is remembered that at the last sitting of the legislature J. H. Hawthornthwaite asked questions relative to gas areas existing in No. 1 mine at Nanaimo. The reply of the government was that according to the mine inspector the works were all in a safe condition. Mr. Hawthornthwaite said his information was that there were dangerous areas.

On this wild stories were sent out to certain newspapers stating that there was danger in the mines.

A special agent, Thos. Budge, was appointed by the provincial government to go into the question.

His report has been made to the government, and it is learned, says the Nanaimo Herald, that Mr. Budge endorses in every material part the last report of Inspector Dick, and of the mines committee who rendered a report on March 10th, after a thorough and exhaustive examination of every part of the mine. It is understood that Mr. Budge who holds a mine manager's certificate, and is secretary of the miners' examining board, states without reserve that he is entirely satisfied with conditions as he finds them. In reference to the section of No. 1 mine that is being pumped out, Mr. Budge states that with the drawing off of the water, some of the old workings now flooded, will continue to require attention, this part of the mine as well as all other parts being in the hands of careful and competent men. Mr. Budge spent several days with experienced assistants in making his examination, and it is most satisfactory to all residents of the community that the wild and entirely untruthful stories that have gone out about the workings being unsafe are disproved. Inspector Dick, a thoroughly qualified man, first reports the mine in good condition; a miners' committee, composed of men recognized by their fellow workmen and selected by them as being thoroughly qualified, endorsed the inspector's report, now a mine manager, selected by the government, after a thorough examination, confirms the previous reports. The papers that have so industriously circulated untruthful rumors of the unsatisfactory and dangerous condition of the Western Fuel Company's mines at Nanaimo, should, in justice to Nanaimo, give these most satisfactory and truthful reports equal publicity.

THE SUNDAY OBSERVANCE BILL

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER MEASURE

Initial Meeting Was Held at Ottawa To-Day—News Notes From the Capital.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, April 9.—There was a meeting of the special committee to consider the Sunday Observance bill this forenoon. It was called for organization purposes. Dr. Daniel, of St. John, N. B., was elected chairman. Hon. C. Fitzpatrick said that about two meetings of the committee would suffice. Duncan Ross, M. P., Yale-Cariboo, wanted to know if the bill would interfere with the running of smelters on Sunday; if so he would bring a deputation from the West to be heard. No definite answer was forthcoming. The committee meets again on April 19th.

An Investigation.

Messrs. Curry, of Toronto, and Hutcheson, Montreal, two architects who are to investigate the fallen tower of the western block, arrived at noon to-day. Mr. Curry came from New New York.

Wheat Grades.

The effort which is now being made in Manitoba and the West to reduce the wheat grades is receiving considerable attention in England. Communications have been received here strongly protesting against anything which will affect the present standard of wheat.

Exhibits For Christchurch.

The new freight steamship line which will run from Vancouver to New Zealand will carry the Canadian general exhibit for Christchurch exhibition. This line is owned by the Bucknalls of London.

Demand For Salmon.

The trade and commerce department have received a report from its commercial agent in Japan which says that no canned salmon has been imported since the war. There is great demand for salted salmon. The trade is extending to Korea and Manchuria. Dog salmon, not dog fish, has come to stay.

WRECKED BY WIND.

Cannery at Rivers Inlet Demolished—Loss One Thousand Dollars.

Vancouver, April 9.—A baby tornado came down last Thursday at Rivers Inlet, and utterly demolished the cannery partly erected there by Messrs. Bain & Wilson, of this city. The loss will be in the vicinity of $1,000. Only a few stanchions now remain, although the cannery was half shingled. The wind storm did all this damage in fifteen minutes. No one was hurt.

YOUNG BOY SENTENCED.

He Had Shot at a Sheep on Salt Spring Island, Breaking Its Leg.

A young boy of Salt Spring Island named A. Gardner came before Judge Lampman this morning on a charge of having wounded a sheep belonging to Collins Bros. on the island. The boy gave his age as 15. He pleaded guilty to the charge preferred against him and explained the circumstances connected with it. He said that he was going along the road with some children that were on their way to school, and wishing to show his ability with the rifle he took a shot at the sheep, breaking its leg. To the judge he said that he gave no attention to the sheep in the way of attending to the leg, but left it where it was shot.

This occurred on March 26th, and the boy had been committed for trial by Mr. Walter, a magistrate of the Island.

His Honor wished to know if the boy's father and mother were living. The boy replied in the affirmative, and the judge wished to know why his father had not come down. The boy in an unconcerned way said that his father had not come down because he was too busy with the plowing and planting of the seed. When asked what his father had said when he was arrested charged with the crime the boy replied that he said nothing.

Judge Lampman called the attention of the young lad to the very serious character of the crime but said that he would not inflict a severe punishment upon him this time. He committed him to the common jail for a period of five days, warning him to avoid such action in future.

W. Moresby appeared for the crown in the case. Supt. Hussey, of the provincial police, also appeared in the case.

AT WINDY ARM.

Great Interest Manifested at the Camp Preparatory to Spring Opening.

The White Horse Evening Star of March 30th, referring to the new mining district at Windy Arm, which is expected to be one of the most busy centres in the north this coming season, says:

"More activity is now being displayed in the Windy Arm mining district that at any time in its history. Early this month the force at the mines was increased from 30 to 60 men, and that number will be again doubled by the 10th of April.

"Work is now being rushed on the Montana, Vault, Venus, M. & N. and Uranus claims, and all these with several others will be worked on full time all spring and summer. A cable splicer has arrived at Conrad and the tramway started last fall will be completed and in operation in the near future.

"An immense dump of ore will soon be built up at the Venus mine, where the ledge is 21 feet wide and very rich. It is expected reduction works will be arranged immediately on the arrival of Manager Singer and President Conrad, which will be in ten days or two weeks.

"Daulton and associates from Seattle will arrive about the 15th to begin operations on their group of claims and Hansbrough and associates will also start work on the Ruby and other properties during the coming month.

"Considerable building is now underway at Conrad where Surveyor T. A. Dickson and a force of men are engaged in laying out an additional 40 blocks into lots.

"Capt. Martin's addition to the town will be laid out within two or three weeks. At Winton, five miles up the arm from Conrad, five new buildings, three of them substantial hotel structures, are already under way.

"The same spirit of enterprise that characterizes the new towns on Windy Arm is also in evidence at Caribou, where the merchants are largely increasing their stock and all branches of business are expanding in anticipation of a good year."

AUTOMOBILE CLUB WILL HOLD PARADE

DURING THE VICTORIA DAY CELEBRATIONS

Arrangements For Season are Being Discussed—Racing Meets at the Driving Park.

The motor-car fever, which has been spreading throughout America during the past few years, seems to have obtained a fairly good grip upon a large number of Victorians. Two years ago the appearance of an automobile upon the streets of this city created quite a sensation, but since then the number has been gradually increasing, and now they are so common that the advent of one or two new machines is taken as a matter of course. The forthcoming season, or perhaps it would be more correct to say the present season, promises to be a banner one among the many who have been attracted by the fascinations of this line of recreation.

As is generally known Victoria boasts of an Automobile Club. That organization came into existence towards the close of last summer and for a couple of months in the fall of 1905 the members had a most enjoyable time holding regular runs over the beautiful roads to be found in the vicinity of British Columbia's capital. Since then, however, the club has been steadily increasing in numerical strength. Already its supporters have held several meetings in preparation for the summer months, and a tentative programme has been drafted.

The indications are that the club will make its first public appearance this year during the Victoria Day celebrations. It is the intention to hold a parade on that occasion. Victorians will then have an opportunity to guage the truth of the statement respecting the remarkable growth in the automobile spirit during the past few months. It is safe to say that the extent of the parade, providing all members turn out, will be a revelation to those who have not followed the trend of public fancy.

After the carnival a meeting of the club will take place, at which the season's programme will be definitely outlined. Although it is impossible to publish it in all its details at the present time, sufficient is known to warrant the statement that there will be regular weekly runs, such as the Victoria Hunt Club have been in the habit of enjoying. There will be trips throughout all the neighboring districts, and it is not at all improbable that this will be varied once or twice by racing meets at the driving park. One outing of more than usual length has been agreed upon. It is a trip up the east coast of the Island to Comox. The majority of members have fallen in with the idea. The date has not yet been decided.

In the meantime new machines are being imported. J. Barnsley is one of those having made a recent investment. R. P. Butchart, of the Portland Cement Co., already has a handsome new car, and the Victoria Carriage Co. have two on the way from the manufacturing establishments. In addition to these the Victoria Transfer Co. have practically decided upon an immense electric motor tally-ho with accommodation for forty or more passengers. It will be the same in every particular as the cars used in New York for the purpose of showing tourists the sights of that metropolis. A large car for commercial use has also been ordered by the Brackman-Ker Milling Co., and will be in operation in the course of a week or so.

Hutchison Bros. have purchased a number of cars, and five are already here. They will be rented during the summer months.

Judging from the present outlook it seems reasonable to believe that the motor car will soon be recognized in Victoria as, not only a splendid means of recreation, but most useful in ordinary commercial pursuits. Those who have watched the development closely predict that the "horseless" carriage will soon play a very important part in the business as well as the pleasure of residents of Victoria.

PREPARING FOR THE CELEBRATION

BUSINESS BEFORE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Some of Attractions Contemplated For Victoria Day—Invitation Extended Mainland Militia.

Preparations for Victoria Day are proceeding apace, and the outlook for an exceptionally fine celebration are roseate. It is true that the programme has not yet assumed definite shape, and it may be a little premature to make sanguine predictions, but the spirit which pervaded the executive meeting held on Saturday evening cannot be taken for anything but a gratifying augury. The subscriptions seem to be coming in very satisfactorily, while the citizens, generally speaking, are evincing more interest in the arrangements than has been the case for many years.

In preparing for a carnival of the kind which usually marks the 24th of May in Victoria one of the most important, in fact the most important, item to be considered is that of the finances. Of course the neuclus of the fund is formed from the corporation's grant. This, however, must be augmented in a substantial manner by contributions from private business men in order that the festivities may be carried out upon the scale contemplated.

In conversation this morning His Worship Mayor Morley stated that the carnival would eclipse that of the two previous years in every respect. Asked what event, in his opinion, would prove the principal attraction, he hesitated in his reply, and then pointed out that it was impossible for him to say anything along that line at the present time. The horse parade, however, gave promise of proving the piece de resistance. Although nothing had been definitely decided, this would take place during the morning of the 24th. It would take the form of a parade in which would be exhibited all the finest horses to be found in the stables of Victoria fanciers. The intention was to offer valuable prizes in order to make competition worth while. The judging would be based, not only upon the appearance of the horses, but upon the merits of the equipments as a whole. Last year a great deal of interest had been shown in such an event. But that which was forthcoming would be much more elaborate in character and could be depended upon to prove entertaining, not only to those directly interested, but to the general public.

There will be only two days' celebration included in the official programme, although Saturday, the third day, will be a holiday and altogether taken up with recreations. It is the desire of the committee in charge, expressed unanimously at their last gathering, to emphasize that they are responsible for only Thursday and Friday, and that nothing will be taken from the funds to promote the festivities announced for Saturday.

As already stated, nothing definite is yt known, all the arrangements being of a tentative nature. A horse parade on the morning of the 24th, the Gorge regatta on the afternoon of that day, a lacrosse match between Victoria and Vancouver teams, baseball games between Washington University and Victoria nines, and a display of fireworks are some of the features it is intended incorporating in the two days' carnival. All these are practically assured with one exception, namely, the fireworks. Some are in favor of it and others express the opinion that the pleasure of such an affair is not sufficient to warrant the comparatively heavy expenditure involved. In place of that it has been suggested that the militias of Victoria and Vancouver might hold a join torch parade in the evening through the principal streets of the city. Lieut.-Col. Hall, it is understood, endorses the project, and has undertaken to see what can be done towards bringing it about. He has extended an invitation to the Sixth Regiment, Vancouver and New Westminster. From what can be gathered the latter are perfectly willing to come over on that occasion providing the event takes place on the Victoria Day. The majority of the members would be unable to get away on the 25th, so that now it is simply a question of whether it would be advisable to bring some of the attractions fixed for the 24th off on the following day in order to permit the proposed illuminated march of the two regiments. It is altogether probable that some satisfactory arrangement will be reached.

A field meet under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association will take place on Saturday at the Oak Bay grounds. It will be open to all competitors and for every competition handsome awards are being procured. If the efforts of the committee meet with a success in keeping with the affair it should be a memorable one in the annals of amateur athletics of the coast.

Another meeting of the executive will be held in a fortnight's time, when the official programme will be drafted and all necessary details definitely decided upon.

BANK REPORT.

Washington, D. C., April 9.—The comptroller of the currency to-day issued a call for the condition of the national banks at the close of business Friday, April 6th, 1906.

She has Arrived! The Lady from the Sandwich Islands. Call upon her at

Campbell's Drug Store

She is an absolutely interesting personage, with large garnet eyes and a merry flash of humor, in spite of a somewhat flat and hollow countenance.

Having been engaged in the sponge industry for more years than she will allow us to state, she is fully competent to speak upon this topic, and expresses herself as both surprised and delighted with the large and high-class assortment on view at Campbell's. She deeply regrets that an imperfect knowledge of the English language prevents her from expressing her admiration to the world at large, but begs us to state on her behalf that some of our sponge bargains would "astonish the natives."

She wishes especially to call the attention of the ladies to her new Easter bonnet, which she claims the latest Zimocca creation.

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VOLIVA'S ATTACK ON JOHN A. DOWIE

DENOUNCED AS LIAR, SPENDTHRIFT AND TRAITOR

Six Thousand Persons Express Their Willingness to Follow the New Leader.

Zion City, Ill., April 8.—With the approval of thousands of Dowieites in open meeting to-day, General Overseer Glenn Voliva denounced John Alexander Dowie as a spendthrift, liar and traitor, and was in turn promised support as leader of the Christian Catholic church in Zion, to fill the place of its founder, now deposed and on his way from Mexico to fight for his rights.

When after denouncing Dowie, Overseer Voliva suddenly demanded a decision of the audience which crowded Shiloh tabernacle, as to who should be their future leader, the six thousand persons in the auditorium arose as one person and signified their willingness to follow Voliva to the end. To-day's meeting was called for 2.30 p. m., but as early as 10 a. m. all the streets centring around that house of worship held many anxious Zionists, all headed for Shiloh tabernacle.

By the time Overseer Voliva accompanied by Mrs. Voliva and their little daughter, reached the meeting house, the place was full to overflowing with the former adherents of Dowie, who had been patiently waiting four hours to listen to the public exposure of Dowie. On the platform with Voliva were Mrs. John Alexander Dowie, Judge Barnes, head of the law department of Zion city, and Overseers Speicher, Excell, Cantel and Granger. At the conclusion of a short prayer by Overseer Speicher, the new leader in Zion, clad in a robe of simple white and black, stepped to the front of the platform, and in a slow, calm and studied voice, made the announcement that he was going to take advantage of to-day's meeting to tell a few truths about the man whom they had so faithfully followed for several years.

Voliva then told the audience of the "deplorable" condition he found at Zion city when he arrived a month ago from Australia, and took up the management of Zion's interests at Dowie's command. The speaker did not mince words, but spoke bluntly of the "perfidy of John Alexander Dowie."

When most bitter in the denunciation of his former master, there was no one in the tabernacle who showed more approval of Voliva's remarks than Mrs. Jane Dowie.

Overseer Voliva in justification of the overthrow of Zion's first apostle, told how money had been squandered for Dowie's own comfort, while the creditors and the people of Zion were calling loudly for money.

In bringing his denunciations of Mr. Dowie to a close, Mr. Voliva said:

"Alexander Granger owns this tabernacle. He owns this entire estate. What I want you to do is to send all tithes and offerings to Zion in the name of Overseer Granger instead of in the name of John Alexander Dowie. The day has come when you ought to act as men and women, and exercise your God-given free will. I don't want you to do anything by constraint. I want to be calm and straightforward and present these matters in a way that none can truthfully say that you were excited or acted on the impulse of the moment.

"If you want to stand for downright lying, hypocrisy and sameful misuse of money, keep your seats; but all of those present who are tired of his lying, his exaggerations, his misrepresentations and his inconsistencies and his hypocrisy, and his gross ignorance of all business laws and principles, stand up as an evidence of their denouncement of Dowie and his methods."

The response to this request was instantaneous, everyone in the building rising. Voliva then declared that if Dowie on his arrival in Zion city on Tuesday thought to frighten Voliva into submission, Dowie never was more mistaken in his life.

A message was received from Dowie this afternoon, stating that he would reach Zion city Tuesday morning, and ordering Shiloh House, his residence in Zion city, to be prepared for his home-coming. Voliva, after reading this message, vowed that Dowie would not be allowed to enter the door of what formerly was his Zion city home.

Dowie's Return.

Chicago, April 7.—While John Alexander Dowie is travelling from Mexico City to Zion city measures are being taken by the officers of the Christian Catholic church to render him absolutely powerless before he can arrive here.

It is announced that by the time he reaches Zion City the last vestige of his authority will have disappeared except so far as he may restore it through legal proceedings.

SHAUGHNESSY'S SPEECH.

Tells Englishmen Not to Forget That Half of American Continent is Labelled "Canada."

Montreal, April 7.—A special London cable to the Star says Sir Thomas Shaughnessy struck an emphatic Canadian note in the presence of hosts of Americans at the Pilgrims' dinner last night in honor of Lord Curzon. Previous speeches having dealt especially upon the features of the Anglo-American accord, Sir Thomas Shaughnessy brought a timely reminder that there was a good half of the American continent labelled "Canada." He called Elihu Root, "speaking as with the tongue of the President of the United States," to witness that what was a little domain on the borders of the States has now grown to a great and powerful nation. He begged Englishmen to weigh well that vital fact and not to imagine that they had seen the wonders of America when they stopped short at Philadelphia or Chicago on their way north. Americans themselves were not slow to take the fullest advantage of the opportunity Canada offered, as witness the large immigration of hosts of American settlers who were becoming excellent British subjects in Canada.

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DEVELOPMENTS IN YORK LOAN AFFAIRS

Liquidators Seek to Secure Subsidary Companies—Canadian Pacific and Quebec.

Toronto, April 7.—W. K. Douglas, K. C., and C. D. Scott, for the National Trust Company liquidators of the York County Loan have been granted fourteen injunctions against Georgiana Hudson, Lillian Hudson and others, restraining the defendants from transferring, assigning or permitting or consenting to the assignment of or in any way dealing with the shares held by them of the capital stock of the Toronto Life Insurance Company. Argument will be heard on Monday. As a result of the disclosures made in the police court the National Trust Company is prepared to apply to the high court for a declaration from the court that the Toronto Life Insurance Company is the rightful property of the shareholders of the York Loan and is not owned by Phillips, but it and others who callmed in court to possess a majority of the capital stock. The company will also apply for a receiver for the Liszt Piano Company, which will have the effect of throwing this property into the hands of the joint liquidators of the York Loan. The Toronto Life has a cash value of over $200,000 and the daily lapses on the part of the uneasy policyholders tends to swell this amount. The company has a business of over $3,000,000. The Liszt Piano Company should be worth from $30,000 to $50,000.

Steamer Terminus.

Quebec, April 6.—It is learned that the Canadian Pacific Railway authorities have decided to adopt the port of Quebec, not only for the terminus of their passenger steamer service, but for the whole of their Liverpool service as well. The great series of improvements decided on by the company have been commenced within the past few days, and now several hundred workmen are engaged in making a roadway for the new railway tracks on the north embankment wall of the Louise docks, constructing crib stringers, and driving piles in the River St. Charles for trestle work, etc. The company expects to complete the big undertaking, apparently for the accommodation of its steamship service, by the first week in August. In the meantime, the Point Carey wharf, with its large freight shed, and the Great Northern grain elevator will be placed at the company's disposal, together with the breakwater landing and sheds until its own accommodation is ready.

Silica Sand.

Niagara Falls, Ont., April 7.—J. E. Wilcox has discovered large deposits of valuable silica sand on his property a few miles from here. The sand is of special value for use in foundries.

Christianson Released.

Winnipeg, April 7.—Christianson, the Chicago strike breaker who was arrested for an assault on a citizen, has been released.

Extending Business.

Montreal, April 6.—The leading Canadian banks, with headquarters in Montreal, have decided on the adoption of an entirely different policy with regard to the establishment of branches throughout the West. The Merchants Bank in the past few weeks has opened six new branches, three in Alberta, at Alix, Stettler and Daisland; in Manitoba at Shoal Lake and Russell, and in British Columbia at Vancouver. The Royal Bank has opened a branch at Winnipeg, and will follow up by opening branches at the important centres of the new provinces. The Royal Bank already has fourteen branches in British Columbia, and will become particularly active in the western provinces and Ontario; it will be well established all over Canada. The Hochelaga intends opening at Vancouver and Edmonton, and at other points later on.

RUSSIAN SITUATION.

Strength of Democrats Surprises Government Circles and Encourages Witte in Reform Work.

St. Petersburg, April 7.—A panic has been created in government circles by the surprising strength developed by the constitutional democrats in the elections, which may have immediate and drastic consequences. The issue between reaction and reform, which has been in the balance, has been unexpectedly precipitated by Premier Witte. The elections have greatly strengthened the premier's hands in his fight against the reactionists, and he now feels strong enough to challenge General Trepoff and Minister of the Interior Durnovo and the entire reactionary cabal.

Less than a fortnight ago the premier was decidedly pessimistic and believed that the majority in the lower house would be conservative and that the entire programme for reform might be overthrown. The results of the elections, however, convinced him that the radicals will control the house, and that an attempt to thwart the popular will as expressed by the ballot bow would be a fatal blunder on the part of the government. It was learned from an unimpeachable source tonight that the premier journeyed to Tsarskoe-Selo on Thursday to lay this view before the Emperor, and made another trip to Tsarskoe-Selo last night, and was closeted with His Majesty until after midnight.

The impression is abroad that the success of the constitutional democrats will ensure the success of the foreign loan of which the government is in such urgent need.

To-morrow 28 provincial conventions will meet and elect 178 members of the lower house of parliament. The present representatives have a large majority over all the other classes combined, and should the radicals make anything like the sweep which they anticipate, the Emperor will be compelled to yield to the premier's advice. At any rate, he seems to resign himself on the side of the people.

In effect he told the Emperor that he regarded the situation as desperate and that the time had come to choose between himself and Interior Minister Durnovo, and counseled His Majesty not only to accept the result of the elections, but to anticipate any demand on the part of the lower house of parliament for a constitution by the issuance of a constitution before parliament convened, and at the same time mark his change of policy by the proclamation of general amnesty at Easter. The premier is also understood to have pointed out that such a course would make a splendid impression.

The Rech to-day says Russia hopes to get $750,000,000 from the loan—the government is now negotiating, and that the government has offered exceptional terms to the bankers in order to conclude the negotiations before the Russian parliament assembles. The radicals generally believe that if the government succeeds in filling the war chest with such an enormous sum, it will be in a position to snap its fingers at parliament.

Only by keeping the government in dire straits do they believe it will be forced to yield to the popular demand for reform. Upon the request of the minister of the interior, the council of the empire has increased the appropriation for the usual police by over $1,500,000.

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

William N. Campbell Instantly Killed in Logging Camp.

New Westminster, April 8.—Early yesterday morning William Norman Campbell, a well known resident of Port Moody, lost his life in an accident at Ben Roberts' camp, on the north side of the Inlet. Shortly after daylight Campbell and the foreman of the camp went to the rollway at the water's edge to loosen and start a jam of logs that had resulted because of the low water of the last few days. Campbell was working on the skid in front of the jam when the logs loosened and bearing down upon him toppled him over. He struck the skid on his shoulders and two heavy logs rolled over and pinned him down, killing him instantly.

News of the accident was at once sent to Port Moody and the coroner, Capt. Pittendrigh, and Chief Constable Sprain, of this city, were notified of the sad occurrence. The officials proceeded to the scene without delay and an inquest was held at Port Moody to which place the remains were conveyed. The jury empannelled returned a verdict of accidental death, no blame being cast on anybody.

The deceased was well-known in this city, where he was connected with the fire brigade for a number of years. He was a native of Ayrshire, Scotland, and was 46 years of age, having arrived in this district 15 years ago. Since his arrival he has been engaged in the logging business, except while with the local fire brigade. He was a prominent Orangeman and was at one time a member of the famous Gordon Highlanders, having seen active service. He leaves a widow and one child to mourn him.

A bar of gold bullion valued at $17,000 was stolen in shipment between Georgetown, British Guiana, and New York city. The discovery of the theft was made at New York on Saturday when the box which contained the bar was opened and found to contain a bar of steel, evidently a part of some machine.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, April 9.—5 a. m.—During yesterday an ocean storm area crossed this province and is now centred in Alberta. It caused a strong southerly gale on the Coast and strong winds on the Straits and Sound, and a general rain extending inland to Kootenay and southward to California. Showers will occur in the prairie provinces to-day.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh southerly winds; partly cloudy, with occasional showers.

Lower Mainland—Fresh westerly to southerly winds, unsettled, with occasional rains.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, 42; minimum, 41; wind, 12 miles W.; rain, .12; weather, rain.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 10 miles S. W.; rain, .08; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 20 miles N. W.; rain, .02; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 54; minimum, 52; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, cloudy.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.54; temperature, 36; minimum, 36; wind, 28 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.

BRITAIN'S TRADE.

London, April 7.—The March statement of the board of trade shows an increase of $21,436,000 in imports and $17,201,200 in exports.

The robin is the last bird to go to bed at night.

THEIR LIVES IN DANGER.

Strikers Reported to Have Selected Men to Assassinate Engineers of Courriers Mines.

Paris, April 7.—The Gaulois to-day says that the striking miners in the coal regions of Pas de Calais are reported to have placed a price on the heads of the engineers of the Courriers mines, where the recent great disaster occurred, and to have designated those who are to assassinate them. The engineers have been warned and have adopted extreme precautions.

More Bodies Found.

Lens, France, April 7.—Eleven more bodies were brought up from the Courriers mine to-day. Another live horse was found, but no more living men have been rescued.

The indignation of the population against the mine managers and engineers increases.

The striking miners are comparatively calm, though numerous small depredations continue to be reported. The numbers of strikers are diminishing in some sections, and disorderly bands who crossed the Bologna frontier were forced back by Belgian gendarmes.

UNIONIST CAMPAIGN.

Chicago, April 7.—A convention of representatives of trade unions and progressive societies will be held to-morrow to effect a permanent organization of the recently formed United Progressive Organization of Chicago. Steps will be taken by the convention to prepare a plan of action whereby all voters belonging to labor unions and progressive associations will take a half holiday on judicial primary day, April 28th, and go to the polls to select delegates to the convention of both the Democratic and Republican parties who will support the nomination of candidates favorable to the cause of unionism. The capture of one or both of these political parties, it is declared, is the only practical method of bringing about changes in conditions now complained of by unionists.

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RENEWED ACTIVITY OF MOUNT VESUVIUS

COUNTRY FLOODED BY STREAMS OF LAVA

One Village Wiped Out—Thousands of People in Flight—Panic Spreads to Naples.

Naples, April 8.—The hope that Mount Vesuvius was becoming calm was dissipated to-day, when the volcano became more active than ever. The panic has spread to Naples. Two strong earthquake shocks which shattered window panes and cracked the walls of buildings, were experienced today. The entire population rushed to the street in terror, many persons crying, "The Madonna has forsaken us!" "The end of the world has come!"

No trace remains of Bascotrecase, a community on the southern declivity of the mountain, where up to forty hours ago ten thousand persons lived, and Torre Annunziate, on the shores of the Bay of Naples, one mile to the southward, is

Almost Surrounded

by the invading lava, and has been evacuated by its 30,000 inhabitants.

The people were brought to Naples by trains, street cars, military carts and steamships. Transportation facilities have been sent to Torre del Greco to take away the people. The police and carbineers are guarding the abandoned houses, and several members of the government are also there.

A telegram received from the mayor of San Sebastiano, a village near the observatory on the northward declivity of Vesuvius, says the lava is approaching rapidly, and that the people are terror-stricken. They have been for

Nights Without Sleep,

he says, and are destitute, and beg that assistance be given them.

The work of succor is hampered owing to the delays to the railway service, which is interrupted by red-hot stones thrown to a height of 3,000 feet falling on the tracks.

As yet it is impossible to count the craters that have opened, and from which streams of lava have flooded the beautiful, prosperous and happy land lying on the southeast shoes of the Bay of Naples.

The atmosphere is heavily charged with electricity, and now and then the flashes of lightning are blinding, while the detonations from the volcano resemble in sound a terrible dynamite explosion.

The churches of the city were open all day Saturday and Saturday night, and were crowded with panic-stricken persons. Members of the clergy are doing their utmost

To Calm Their Fears,

but the effect of their arguments go almost for naught when renewed earthquake shocks are experienced.

With the danger and horror of the situation aside, Vesuvius presents one of the most splendid sights imaginable. The mountain of fire, whose speech is by detonation, and whose acts are destruction, seems like an enraged giant, determined to make pigmies of the people of the earth in the might of his wrath. Here and there on the mountain side stand blasted trunks of pine trees, their branches outstretched as though in protest against the devastation the volcano has wrought.

The Duchess of Aosta, who always is found where misery exists, is not sparing herself in her efforts to alleviate distress. The people call her an angel of mercy. To-day she took several children and their mothers in her carriage and conveyed them to the royal palace, where they will remain until conditions are brighter.

The observatory has been destoyed and Signor Matteucci, the director, and the employees

Had Narrow Escapes.

They passed last night in the darkness safe from the frequent flashes of lightning, as the gas works and electric light plants were also destroyed. The restaurant of the Funicular railroad, too, has been obliterated.

Prisoners in jails on the mountain side went mad with terror and mutinied. They were only partially quieted by being brought here. Their fears have been communicated to the prisoners here, who may rebel at any moment. The situation is critical.

Breathing is momentarily becoming more difficult because of poisonous fumes and smoke, while hot ashes which are still falling tend to make life a burden.

Contrary to expectations, the sea has not yet shown signs of being affected by the phenomenon, but fears are entertained that tidal waves may yet come, and many craft have put to sea. Visitors to Naples are avoiding the hotels on the sea front, and the people living there are beginning to leave for higher altitudes.

The Pope's Message.

Rome, April 8.—Pope Pius is greatly distressed by the calamity wrought by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. In talking to his secretary to-day, he said: "There are moments when my imprisonment is irksome."

His Holiness personally will not be able to go to the scene, but he has sent a letter to Cardinal Prisco, archbishop of Naples, expressing his grief for the sufferers by the disaster, and instructing him to distribute relief among them and to send to the Vatican particulars of the eruption. He also gave the apostolic benediction to the faithful.

Pitiful Scenes.

Naples, April 7.—Mount Vesuvius is a colossal brazier and the town of Bascotrecase, on the southern declivity, has been formed into an island of grey ruins. Torrents of liquid fire, resembling in the distance serpents with glittering yellow and black scales, are coursing in all directions, amid rumbling detonations and earth trembling, while a pall of smoke that overhangs makes breathing difficult.

The streams of lava are resistless. They snap like pipe-stems trunks of trees hundreds of years old, and blight with their torrid breath blooms on the peach trees before the trees themselves have been reached. The molten streams do not spare the homes of the peasants, and when these have been razed they dash into wells, as though seeking to slake their thirst, and, having filled them, continue their course down the mountain side.

Everywhere in the vicinity of the volcano pitiful scenes are witnessed, women tearing their hair in their grief and old men crying aloud at the loss of their beloved homes.

Considerable apprehension is felt because of the earthquake shocks which are growing stronger and are felt even at Castell-Aare, 15 miles southeast of this city. Each shock is accompanied by deep and prolonged detonations.

Ottajano, at the northeast foot of the mountain, is threatened by a stream of lava and the people are beginning to desert the town.

Will Visit Naples.

Rome, April 7.—It is asserted that King Victor Emmanuel, who was born at Naples, spent his youth there and, as Crown Prince of Italy, bore the title of Prince of Naples, has expressed his intention of visiting the afflicted districts on Mount Vesuvius. According to other rumors, which it has been impossible to verify, Pope Pius is also desirous of taking this time as an opportunity to break his voluntary imprisonment at the vatican and go among the sufferers.

POSTAL CONGRESS.

Inaugurated By King and Queen of Italy—Many Important Questions.

Rome, April 7.—King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena to-day inaugurated the international postal congress in the capital, in the presence of the diplomatic corps. Delegates were present from all parts of the world, including Abyssinia and China, which were not represented at the former conference. The inaugural address was inaugurated by Signor Baccelli, the minister of posts and telegraphs. He then, in the name of the King, formally declared the congress open.

The International Postal Union, under whose auspices the congress is held, was organized originally about forty years ago by a few of the leading nations of the world, its first congress being held at Berne, which city still remains the headquarters and clearing house of the union. At the present time sixty-two nations are by treaty connected with the union, Afghanistan being the only country not a member.

The present congress, which is expected to be in session several weeks, will consider all those questions involving foreign mails and their transportation and postal appliances. One of the principal questions to come up is that of the rate for foreign postage, which at present is 5 cents for each half ounce, first class. It is the general opinion that this rate is too high for the weight allowed. It is probable that the congress will decree one of two things—that the rate of foreign postage be decreased to 3 cents or possibly 2 cents for each half ounce of first class mail, or that the weight of first class mail permitted for 5 cents shall be doubled.

The question of devising a better system for the transportation of foreign mails will receive attention, and the adoption of a universal postage stamp will also come up for consideration. In connection with the last-named subject the congress will consider the system recently adopted by the Dutch government, namely, the scheme of keeping on sale in the post offices of the principal towns a supply of stamps corresponding to the value of 5 cents of the principal countries of the world, which are sold at a very slight advance on the face value. This plan enables a writer, in sending a letter to a foreign country, to enclose postage for a reply when desired.

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES.

Russians Hope to Weed Out and Scatter Discontented Sailors in Black Sea Fleet.

Sebastopol, April 7.—Vice-Admiral Chouknin, commander of the Black Sea fleet, and the naval authorities have developed and are executing a plan for a complete change in the personnel of the Black Sea fleet. Through this change they hope to weed out and scatter discontented sailors who were in any way connected with the mutiny. Many of the older officers have been retired with pensions, and a number of the younger officers with only meagre prospects for advancement have retired voluntarily. The greater portion of those who remain in the service are being transferred to the Baltic fleet, from which officers are coming here to command the vessels of the Black Sea fleet. Only the last recruits among the men are retained here, the older salors being dispatched to the Far East, their places being taken by sailors of the Baltic fleet.

JAP COMMANDER RETIRES.

Tokio, April 7.—Field Marshal Oyama, chief of the general staff, is retiring at his own request; and General Baron Kodama, governor-general of the Island of Formosa, will be appointed chief of the general staff. Lieut.-Gen. Sakuma will succeed Gen. Kodama as governor-general of Formosa.

The Small Chap—"Say, papa, what is the race problem?" Papa—"Picking winners."—Kansas City Independent.

Mrs. Klubbs (severely)—"I've been lying awake these three hours waiting for you to come home." Mr. Klubbs (ruefully)—"Gee! And I've been staying away three hours, waiting for you to go to sleep."—Cleveland Leader.

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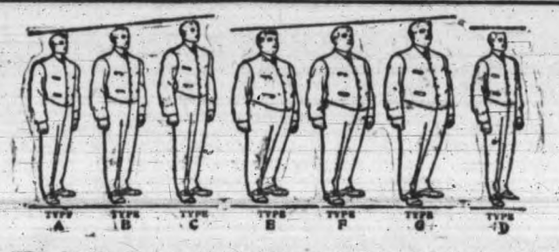

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ON THE DEFENSIVE.

Premier McBride has called attention again to the scandalous revelations of the late session of the legislature by causing to be published what is described as a review of the proceedings. Some of the statements made by Mr. McBride call for comment. They are just such statements as we would naturally expect to issue from the mouth of the leader of the government. His reputation as a "veracious" commentator on events political is already firmly established in the minds of people who intelligently follow the course of public events in this province. But the fact that at this time, when it is evident that the sagacious policy for the ministry to pursue with respect to what transpired during the session of the legislature would be to keep silent in the hope that the public would forget—the fact that the Premier after his trip to other sections of the province has felt impelled to essay a defence of the course of the government proves that he realizes that his administration is in deep disgrace and that it is necessary for him to say something that he believes will redeem its lost character.

Premier McBride's boldness and effrontery have often compelled our admiration. The Kaien Island deal and the connection of his government therewith is something he is proud of. If the whole thing were to do over again he would do it in the same way, he practically avows. Does he expect persons of intelligence to believe that? Does he think for a moment the assertion that no single statement in the minority report (on the Kaien Island deal) is sustained by the evidence? Does he ask men of affairs to credit his statement that the sale of ten thousand acres of land to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company as a terminus for the transcontinental railway, in the light of the connection of Messrs. Bodwell, Anderson and Larsen therewith, "was a direct sale to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company itself, and with no middlemen or profit-making intermediary whatever?" Is it not as plain as if all the facts were engraven on the stones of the parliament buildings that Messrs. Bodwell, Anderson and Larsen were intermediaries between the government and the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company in the Kaien Island deal and that they, not the Attorney-General or any member of the administration, undertook to secure the location of the terminus of the railway on Kaien Island? Is it not a fact that Mr. Anderson received from his partner, Mr. Larsen, "in settlement of their interests in Kaien Island and other adventures in the immediate neighborhood the sum of $10,000, besides salary and expenses?" Is not a fact that Mr. Anderson also "received one-sixteenth interest in North and South Porpoise Islands and in other lands contiguous to Kaien Island, located by him under South African war scrip, and also about five square miles of coal lands some distance down the coast?" Is it not a fact that Messrs. Anderson and Larsen entered into an agreement with Mr. Morse, representing the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company, under which they (Messrs. Anderson and Larsen) were to receive $40,000 for their interest in the ten thousand acres of land on Kaien Island? And if the foregoing are all facts, and we challenge Premier McBride or any of his ministers to deny that they are facts, do they support his mendacious, reckless assertion that the Kaien Island deal was a direct transaction with the transcontinental railway company, and that no middleman or profit-making intermediary was in a position to personally profit by the bargain?

We again assert that the Kaien Island transaction was a scandalous and indefensible deal, that it was an outrage upon public decency, and that Premier McBride in his attempt to make it appear otherwise but aggravates the offence against the public committed by his government. The fact that a u[illegible] of a partizan com[illegible] set up by the government for the purpose of whitewashing the parties to the transaction carried out its instruction lends no weight whatever in the face of the evidence dragged out of unwilling witnesses by the leader of the opposition and the member for the Islands.

The Premier's impotent attempt to justify the course of his government with regard to the Columbia & Western deal will also fail to satisfy the minds of the public. His misrepresentation of the facts and the attitude of the opposition is only what might be expected considering their source. But again the facts are all against him and simply prove how absolutely unscrupulous and reckless the man can be when he finds himself in desperate straits. The facts as stated by the Premier with reference to the Columbia & Western land grant are:

"There was a company which made a bargain with a previous government of the province. They had, in course of due time, completed that bargain, though the original government with whom they contracted had not lived to see it. They then come to the present government with the request that, having completed their undertaking in good faith, the province should now fulfil its share of the contract."

The truth is that the Columbia & Western Railway Company, in order to earn the subsidy of eight hundred thousand acres of public land, should under its contract have completed its line to Penticton. It has not done this nor has it any apparent intention of doing so. If the company had abided by the terms of its agreement it would have conferred a great benefit upon the province, inasmuch as it would have provided means of transporting the farm products of one of the most fruitful regions of British Columbia into some of the great consuming portions of the province, and thus have conferred a very material blessing alike on the agriculturists and horticulturists of the Okanagan and upon the consumers of such mining districts as the Boundary. If it had lived up to the letter of its contract the Shuswap & Okanagan Railway, in which the province was so largely interested, might have, and doubtless would have, become a profitable concern. Still the Premier, in the light of the facts, which are known to all men, indulges himself in four columns of futile verbiage and misinterpretation in the hope of convincing the public that he and his government are absolutely free from the influences of private and corporate grafters and that the deals he so futilely attempts to defend were carried through in the interests of the country and for the maintenance of the country's honor.

One does not expect Premier McBride to be subject to the restraints ordinary public men put on themselves when dealing with facts which are on record. The leader of the administration is a law unto himself when the spirit of political controversy is upon him. He assumes that statements at direct variance with facts will bear all the weight of sublime truths when they issue from his official lips and will therefore be accepted unreservedly by the public who are his judges. He says it was argued in the House (he does not know by whom) that because the Columbia & Western contract had been made by another government the present government would have been justified in taking advantage of a technicality and repudiating this just claim for services which had been duly performed. It is needless to say there is not one word of truth in this statement as far as the opposition is concerned. The opposition took the logical ground that the contract had not been carried out, that the province had not received the benefit which would have accrued if the contract had been lived up to, that the government was under neither legal nor moral obligation to make the grant, and if such an argument as that suggested by the Premier was advanced it must have emanated from the lips of one of the supporters of the administration.

The statement that the opposition opposed the alleged increase in the taxation of railways is also untrue and incapable of proof.

HUMAN IMPOTENCE.

Nature is merciless and remorseless, pitiless and inexorable, in her operations. The majority of Nature's agencies and forces man has harnessed and applied with ingenuity to the work of making his life pleasant and agreeable. The decree that by the sweat of his brow shall he earn his bread has been made to bear as lightly as possible upon the shoulders of the creature who has been given dominion over all the animals who live and move and have their being upon the earth and in the waters of the great and the lesser deeps. Metals have been cunningly fashioned into tools and machines ranging from the needle to the great engines which move trains and drive grand ships. Steam and electricity, the mightiest and most mysterious of Nature's forces, have been subdued and trained to do the will of mankind in the operation of the most wonderful machines created by the skill of human hands directed by the minds of ingenious and inventive human minds. But when the forces which lie concealed and for the most part quiescent in the bowels of the earth which has been given to us for an inheritance breath through the crust and pour down the mountain sides, we realize that Nature, in most of her moods so beneficent, has no regard whatever for the works of the "lords of creation" or for life in any form. Nature cannot be moved by appeals for mercy; she cannot be made to stay her hand by prayers to the Powers who created her and set her operations in motion. She is the same to-day as she was in the past centuries when she consumed with her withering, devastating breath Pompeii and Herculaneum, burying those magnificent cities with their civilization, their art, their luxuries and their wealth, beneath overwhelming masses of lava. If the people of the cities which have been erected around the base of Mount Vesuvius desire to escape from the wrath of aroused Nature, they must abandon their fruitful valleys and seek refuge in safe, if less, attractive, places. Appeals to the compassion of uncontrollable forces in such cases are vain. The wonder to us is that after the experiences of the past the men and women of the present day and generation do not realize this truth.

John Alexander Dowie may be all that he is represented to be by the men who have deposed him and set themselves in the seat he is said to have dishonored. At the same time what guarantee is there that his successors, seeing what a good and desirable situation he had, are not prompted by motives of an altogether disinterested character? Dowie is a man of strong personality. By sheer strength of his individuality, admitting that principle had nothing whatever to do with the organization of the Zionist movement, Dr. Dowie set up his unique latter day theocracy. What is the meaning of the following statement if it does not reveal human selfishness and lust of power and wealth in all its repulsiveness: "Alexander Granger owns this tabernacle. He owns this entire estate. What I want you to do is to send all tithes and offerings to Zion in the name of Overseer Granger instead of in the name of John Alexander Dowie."

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George D. Collins has broken bounds again. It is quite safe to offer the opinion that the authorities of California do not care if George never comes back. It is also fair to presume that there was collusion between the man of the mysterious marriage and the officials of the state or Mr. Collins would still be safely immured in the cells. The ways of our neighbors in their relations with wrongdoers of a certain and particular class are past finding out. There is some comfort in the thought that George and his faithful retinue will not again make Victoria their city of refuge.

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To the Editor:—In answer to a letter published in your paper last Friday evening, signed by Fred T. Plows, a brickmason who has been, up to a few days ago, employed on our work. In reading his letter over one would think he is either the president or secretary of the Bricklayers' Union, and trying to make it appear that he is voicing the sentiment of that body, which is not true. Further on in his letter he does not hesitate in throwing some very sarcastic remarks at the local bricklayers, we now have employed on the hotel work. He says, in his opinion, before we get a self-respecting bricklayer to work on our job we will have to do some "firing" ourselves. Such remarks as that shows that Mr. Plows has some personal grievance, which he has forgotten to mention. Our crew of bricklayers is made up of men whose homes are in Victoria, with the exception of three, and they all appear to be good, respectable mechanics, sober and industrious, and are on the work every day. Mr. Plows did not say that he was such a man. We will have to leave it to the public to judge that. When a mechanic leaves the work on Saturday at noon after receiving his week's wages and does not return again to work until the next Wednesday, and then in a very nervous condition, one does not have to guess more than once to determine whether he is a self-respecting man.

We want the general public to know that we are not in any way discriminating against the mechanics and laborers of Victoria. To prove this statement our pay rolls show that over 90 per cent of the men employed by us are local men, and their homes are in this city. It is necessary that we hire first class skilled mechanics to execute our work, so as to make the building in every particular the best possible according to plans and specifications, and acceptable to the C. P. R. Company's architect and engineers. To do this we must have the best mechanics.

We have all the local stone cutters in the city on our work. Our bricklayers are all local men but three, to which we are paying the highest scale of wages. The time for us to complete the hotel is limited, and when there is not enough men applies personally at our office for work it is necessary for us to advertise for them through the local papers.

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—The Local Council of Women are meeting this afternoon at the city hall.

—To-morrow afternoon there will be a meeting of the Refuge Home committee. The meeting will be held at the home, commencing at 3 o'clock.

—Members of the Victoria Liberal Association are reminded of the quarterly meeting which takes place this evening in Labor hall at 8 o'clock, for the nomination of officers and other business.

—Important Auction on Wednesday.—A. T. Hardaker, the auctioneer, will sell at his auction rooms, 77-79 Douglas street, at 2 p.m. Wednesday, 11th inst., all the valuable furniture from the residence of Mrs. Hills, of 59 Haywood avenue. Mrs. Hills is leaving this city to join her husband at Winnipeg. *

—See the art gallery, the picture postcards and the minstrels at the Easter Durbar on Wednesday evening at the residence of R. L. Drury, 220 Pandora avenue. Useful fancy articles on sale afternoon and evening. Supper served from 6 to 8 o'clock, 25c. Proceeds for Y. M. C. A. building fund. *

—E. R. Stephen, agent of the Great Northern Railway, has received information from headquarters that excursion rates will be in force over the company's lines for the meeting of the Canadian Presbyterian Assembly at London, Ont., and for the meeting of the Canadian Order of Foresters at Ottawa. The former will be held from June 4th to 15th. The rates by the railway will be one first class fare plus $10 for round fare tickets to persons holding membership certificates. These will be on sale from May 28th to June 1st. The return limit is put at July 31st. For the meeting of the Canadian Foresters from June 11th to 16th, the same rates will prevail. These will be on sale June 4th and 5th, and the limit is fixed at 60 days.

—St. Andrew's Society will meet this evening in the Sir William Wallace hall. All the members are requested to attend as important business will come up for discussion.

—Where do you carry your fire insurance? The Anglo-American and Equity Fire Insurance Companies are not in the combine. Get rates before insuring elsewhere. S. A. Baird, agent, Law Chambers, Bastion street. Phone 891.

—T. T. Dougle, nightwatchman at the mill of Brackman & Ker, was thrown from his cart while driving with his daughter along Birdcage Walk on Saturday afternoon. He received a scalp wound, but was not very seriously hurt. His daughter escaped without any injury.

—It has been decided to extend the time for receiving subjects for study in connection with the literary society of the Alexandra Club to Saturday next. These may be sent to Mrs. C. E. Cooper, Victoria West, the convenor of the committee.

—The city council will at its meeting this evening take up the question of street paving for this year. There is a notice of motion given by Ald. Vincent as to the streets which it is proposed to pave this season. On this motion the discussion as to what shall be done will come up.

—"Friday was a record day for the local mines of the Western Fuel Company," says the Nanaimo Herald. "On that date 1,500 tons of coal were hoisted at Brechin and No. 1 mine, and on Saturday the amount hoisted was about the same."

—On Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week the following order of services will be observed at Christ Church cathedral: 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11, matins; 5 p.m., evensong, with addresses by the bishop upon "The Sacred Wounds"; 8 p.m., evensong, with addresses by the rector upon "Christ and His Adversaries."

—For the national convention of the Imperial Council, Order of the Mystic Shrine, to be held at Los Angeles May 7th to 10th, the Northern Pacific Railway Company has arranged excursion rates from all points. The rate from Victoria to Los Angeles and return will be $48.20, and the final limit of tickets will be July 31st. Tickets will be sold here May 2nd to 5th inclusive.

—It is announced that at the Fifth Regiment battalion parade to be held this evening bonuses amounting to about $3 each will be distributed among the specialists—gun-layers, range finders, etc.—of the corps. After this has been done the usual drill will take place. The C. O. has ordered a full turnout. The names of those who do not attend will be handed to him, and if there is no reasonable excuse for absence the matter will be investigated.

—"The steamer Falcon arrived here Friday after having her machinery thoroughly overhauled at Nanaimo. The government appropriated about $2,500 for the work but only about one-half of that sum was required at Dobson's foundry to put the steamer in shape. The trip to Victoria was in the nature of a trial trip. She left for Vancouver Saturday and will then sail north to Inspector Williams' district, where she will be employed in the interests of the Dominion government fisheries all summer."

NOTICE.

Members of the Victoria Liberal Association are requested to attend the quarterly meeting to be held on Monday evening, 9th inst., at 8 o'clock, in Labor Hall, to nominate officers and transact any other business brought before them.

A. B. FRASER,
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—Dr. Clemence has moved to his new and up-to-date offices in Promis block, Government street. *

—L. Eaton & Co., auctioneers, will sell on Tuesday the 10th inst. at their sale rooms, Fort street, a very fine lot of oak and other furniture, etc. *

—Extraordinary fine English flannels and tweeds just arrived; up-to-date suitings will be furnished by Taisang & Co., 156 Government street. *

—Rev. A. W. McLeod, of the Baptist church, Nanaimo, has resigned. He will assume charge of a church in Vancouver and will be succeeded in the Coal City by Rev. Fred Letts, now at Chilliwack.

—Services in connection with the funeral of Mrs. J. P. Planta were held at the Wallace Street Methodist church, Nanaimo, Friday afternoon, and was attended by a large number of people, many of whom had been intimately acquainted with the deceased. The pastor was assisted in the services by Rev. A. E. Roberts.

—Two lads named Melzer Willey and Albert Taylor, of Nanaimo, received serious injuries on Friday evening by being thrown out of a rig drawn by a runaway horse. One of the boys was picked up unconscious, his face and head being badly cut, while his companion received a severe gash over the eye. Both lads received medical aid at once, and are reported as progressing very favorably toward recovery.

—Mrs. Byers, wife of Capt. W. D. Byers, the well-known Victoria sealer, died this morning at the family residence, Toronto street. The deceased was 31 years of age and a native of San Francisco. She leaves her husband and two children and one sister residing in Victoria to mourn her loss. The funeral will take place on Wednesday from the parlors of W. J. Hanna, services will be conducted by Rev. G. K. B. Adams.

—Members of the Victoria Gun Club held their third shoot for the Dominion Cartridge Company's medal on the 8th inst., at Langford Plains. The light being bad and a heavy wind blowing, no very large scores were obtained. O. Weller won the medal for the second time with a score of 20 out of 25. The trophy has been won now twice by O. Weller and once by W. G. Beckett. The competitor who wins it the greatest number of times in twelve contests will hold it permanently. The club will hold a big shoot on the 22nd inst., when the Victoria Gun Club trophy and the medal will again be competed for, and they hope to have a large attendance of club members and friends present.

—An enjoyable time was spent at the entertainment at Maple Bay on Friday evening. All who took part won the applause of the audience. The following programme was creditably rendered: Chorus, by the choir; songs, G. W. Lilley; reading, Miss Winnie Herd; instrumental solo, Mrs. Lilley; reading, John Flett; duet, Ivy and Jessie Herd; gramaphone selections and song, H. Drummond; song, Mrs. A. Herd; reading, Alex. Herd; song, Mrs. Anderson; song, W. Herd; song, Mrs. G. W. Lilley; reading, Eugene Smith; song, Herman Brown; song, Miss Roberts. After the programme and the national anthem a bountiful supply of refreshments was served by the ladies and the young people.

—Following the custom of previous seasons the E. & N. railway management are putting in effect cheap rates and additional train service for the Easter holidays, which will prove a great convenience to sportsmen and others wishing to visit the different popular resorts along the line. A special excursion rate of $1 for the round trip, with half fare for children, will be in effect to Shawnigan Lake. The special afternoon trains on Good Friday and Easter Monday will leave the city at 4 o'clock, while on Saturday and Sunday the usual 3 o'clock train will be operated, in conjunction with which the regular 9 a. m. train will leave as usual every day. The tickets to the different points along the line will be on sale from Good Friday until Easter Monday, inclusive; good to return not later than Easter Monday night.

Marine and Shipping

COWBOYS SAVE SHIP.

The steamer Pennsylvania on arrival at San Francisco from Philadelphia a few days ago was flying a danger flag that signified that explosives were a portion of her cargo. The officers related a series of mishaps to the vessel from the time of leaving Philadelphia. Going down the Delaware to sea she collided with a five-masted schooner, almost sinking the sailing vessel and doing $5,000 damages to herself. Off Cape Hatteras heavy gales were experienced and also in rounding the Horn. The ship's cargo consisted of coal and dynamite and gunpowder. When off the Chilian coast a few weeks ago a fire commenced in and around the funnel, throwing coals and burning wood high in the air. The crew managed by superhuman efforts to get the fire under control. They were led in their efforts by nine Texas cowboys who had taken passage on the steamer at Montevideo, leaving a Wild West show there. The cowboys descended into the vessel's hold and handled hose down below, keeping the fire from reaching the cargo. The crew give all credit to the plainsmen, stating that but for their bravery all on board must have perished.

The steamer presented a sorry and weather-beaten appearance on arrival at Frisco. The Pennsylvania was formerly in the United States transport service, and was recently purchased by the Northwestern Steamship Co., and is intended for the Seattle-Alaska trade.

NEW LINERS.

According to Capt. W. C. Lycett, of the China Mutual liner Yangtsze, five new steamers are to be placed on the Liverpool, British Columbia and Puget Sound route by the White and Blue Funnel Line. Two of the steamers will each have a tonnage of 20,000 and three will each have a tonnage of 18,000. The two larger steamers are now building in England and will be completed and ready to start on their initial voyages about June or July, arriving some time in October. One of the 18,000-ton steamers is already on the way and the other two will be out this year.

Capt. Lycett stated that nine vessels in all were being built, but that only five of them would cross the Pacific. The other vessels will be used on one of the Oriental runs or to points in Europe. They are all smaller than the vessels that will come to this Coast. The first of the new ships to arrive will be the Teucer, commanded by Capt. Jerry Barins, formerly in command of the steamer Tyrrhus. The Bellerophon will arrive next and the other three steamers will follow later. They are all twin screw boats and will also have twin masts, both fore and aft, for handling cargo.

CRUISERS AT HONOLULU.

Word comes from Honolulu that H. M. S. Flora and H. M. S. Cambrian have arrived there. The Flora came from Yokohama, where she was sent from the China squadron to cruise on the coast of the American continent and the South Seas. The Cambrian came from Auckland, New Zealand. The ships were ordered to meet at Honolulu and cruise to show the flag in Southern Pacific waters. After completing their cruise the vessels will rejoin their respective stations. It is not certain whether the vessels will come to Esquimalt. The cruisers are sister ships of 4,360 tons each, and arrived at Honolulu within a few hours of each other, though both came from different corners of the globe. Within ninety miles of Honolulu the vessels were in touch with each other by wireless telegraphy. The two ships coal at Honolulu and proceed on their cruise.

COLLIER CHANGES HANDS.

The Glory of the Seas, an old American clipper ship, for a long time a coal carrier between the Ladysmith and Comox mines and San Francisco, has been bought by the Barneson Hibberd Co. and will be repaired and placed in first-class condition. New masts and spars are the chief features that require attention. The Glory of the Seas was built by Mackay, the famous Boston shipbuilders, over a generation ago, and he considered her the best he ever turned out. She had a reputation for fast passages, and is one of the last of the old type.

THE SELKIRK'S POSITION.

Late advices respecting the stranded steamer Selkirk state that the vessel's position is now less favorable, the steamer having slipped off the rocks which formed her first resting place. This will make matters more difficult for the operations on the vessel, Capt. J. G. Cox, Lloyd's agent, this morning stated that the vessel's position is not a dangerous one and that the recent high wind and rough weather did not cause any further damage.

MELANOPE ARRIVES.

The British ship Melanope, 1,516 tons, Captain Wills, arrived in the Royal Roads on Saturday from Honolulu, making a fast passage. The Melanope came here in ballast and is awaiting orders. Captain Wills is accompanied by Mrs. Wills and family and is well known to local shipping men. The Melanope was here about a year ago.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The British ship Beacon Rock is expected to arrive at Victoria about the end of the month from Liverpool with general merchandise for Evans, Coleman & Evans. The Beacon Rock left Liverpool almost a year ago, but met with stormy weather which forced her to put into Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, for repairs. She left Port Stanley on January 24th for Vancouver.

The Queen City, Captain Townsend, sailed on Saturday night for Quatsino and West Coast ports. She carried a heavy cargo, including supplies for the Sechart whaling station, general merchandise for various settlements and mines along the island coast, and supplies for the sealing schooners which recently put into West Coast ports before going north.

The British barque Alexander, Black, 1,591 tons, Capt. Griffith, completed her lumber cargo at the Hastings mill on Saturday. She has on board 1,131,158 feet of lumber for Callao, Peru, and will probably get away to sea within the next few days.

The China Mutual steamer Keemun left Yokohama on Wednesday for Victoria. She is bringing a large general cargo for this and nearby ports from England and the Orient. The Keemun is due a week from next Wednesday.

Steamer Queen left last night for San Francisco. Among passengers from Victoria were: Miss S. Feltoe, Mrs. E. M. Lorimer, Mrs. W. T. S. Porter, Mrs. J. Freeman, C. McNiffe and wife, and Mrs. A. Kolner.

R. M. S. Moana, of the Canadian-Australian line, is due on Tuesday from Sydney, Brisbane, Suva, Fanning Island and Honolulu.

Steamer Wynegic arrived at Esquimalt from Comox and is in the dry dock.

—Steamer City of Topeka arrived at 2 p.m. yesterday, bringing good freight for local merchants and a number of passengers.

—News was received this morning of the death of Mrs. Daykin, mother of the well known light keeper at Carmanah Point. Deceased was 83 years of age. She was a widow of Dr. Thos. Daykin, and for the past 16 years, ever since the erection of the lighthouse, has lived with her son.

—The death occurred of Wm. George Bartlett on Friday at the Jubilee hospital. He was 64 years of age, a native of England, and had resided in Victoria for a number of years. The funeral took place this afternoon from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company, services being conducted by Rev. J. Grundy.

—For the Easter holidays the Canadian Pacific Railway Company have arranged a special round trip rate from this city to Vancouver for $3, the tickets being on sale Thursday and Saturday with a final return limit extending to Easter Monday. This cheap excursion will no doubt be taken advantage of by a large number wishing to spend the Easter holidays in the Terminal City.

—Edmond C. Collis passed away at the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital on Saturday evening. He was a native of Pimlico, London, England, and 68 years of age. Deceased came to Victoria some twenty-five years ago, and for the past twelve years acted as janitor of the South Park school. A widow, four daughters and three sons are left to mourn his loss. The funeral is announced to take place on Tuesday afternoon from the family residence, 7 Phoenix Place, James Bay, at 2 o'clock, and half an hour later at Christ Church cathedral.

—The first match in the district baseball league will be played on Good Friday in this city between teams representing Ladysmith and Nanaimo, says the Nanaimo Free Press. "Manager Vipond states that only those who attend practice regularly will be picked to play, so everyone get in and dust. With all her baseballers in fighting trim Nanaimo should easily come out the winner this summer. It is many years since Nanaimo people could say 'our baseballers are the champions,' and there is no reason why, at the end of the season about to commence, they should not be able to say the same again."

ACTIVITY IN SAANICH.

Many Improvements Are in Progress Throughout the District.

The farmers of South Saanich evidently have great faith in the future. Since they have become incorporated a large amount of improvements have been initiated.

Robert Matthews has just finished an eight roomed house. James Matthews is building a similar one. Mr. Sutton, a recent settler, has built a cottage. James Ferguson is building a thoroughly up-to-date eight roomed house, with bath, pantries, and stone cellar. The plan calls for a pretty house. He is building barns and other necessary buildings required on a new place. Mrs. Robert John is having quite a large addition put on her house, which will be quite an improvement. Robert Sluggett has built a very nice cottage. He is about to make a very happy change in life.

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Sporting News

THE RING.

KNOCKED INSENSIBLE.

A Rossland dispatch dated Saturday says: "What was to have been a fifteen-round glove contest to-night between Indian Joe Gregg and Kid Fredericks was ended in the fourth round, when the Indian got Fredericks up against the ropes and rained rights and lefts on him till he fell and took the count up to nine. Then he staggered to his feet, only to be pushed against the ropes again and hammered till he fell to the floor senseless and was counted out. The fight was a one-sided one from the start, as Fredericks was plainly out-classed, and at no stage of the game did he make much of a showing against Gregg."

THE TURF.

CELEBRATED HORSES HERE.

James Richardson, the well known horseman, has just arrived from Vancouver with his celebrated standard bred stallions King Patchen and King Miller. King Patchen took first prize and silver medal for the best stallion in any class at the Dominion exhibition at New Westminster last fall, also first prize for himself and three of his gets at the same place. King Miller, by King Patchen, took first prize at the same exhibition for best three-year-old stallion in his class.

These stallions will make a stud season at the driving park, Victoria. King Patchen stands 15.3 hands and weighs 1,100 pounds. King Miller is a very handsome bay colt, standing 16.1 hands and weighing 1,150 pounds.

Mr. Richardson will be pleased to meet all true lovers of the trotting horse at the driving park.

LACROSSE.

DATE OF MEETING.

The annual meeting of the B. C. A. L. A. will be held on the 21st inst. at the Royal City. This has been definitely settled and should be gratifying information to local enthusiasts as no action can be taken in mapping out a programme for the Victoria teams before it is known what the leagues controlled by the B. C. A. L. A. intend doing. Although no Victoria team will be entered in the senior series delegates from this city will attend the gathering.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

At the Central Lacrosse Club meeting held the other evening officers were elected as follows: Hon. president, J. D. Gillis; hon. vice-presidents, Ald. J. A. Douglas, W. Virtue, D. Spencer, jr., and W. Hardaker; president, Geo. Snider; vice-president, J. Crawford; intermediate captain, L. Sweeney; vice-captain, A. Clegg; secretary-treasurer, C. H. Mason; committee, T. Dougal and R. Strachan; junior captain, S. Anderson; vice-captain, E. McQuade; secretary-treasurer, R. Hiscocks; committee, T. Nute and M. Briggs.

THE TWO LEAGUES.

"Victoria has decided to enter a team in the provincial league this year and next season the officials of the Capital City club hope to be in a position to come back into the senior association with a winning aggregation. There will be three teams in the association this season and two of these entries are from Vancouver. The present team will be on hand again, while the Mount Pleasant club will make application for membership in the provincial association and there is no doubt but that the Victoria franchise will be awarded to the local club.

"The annual meeting of the British Columbia Amateur Lacrosse Association will be held on April 21st. At this meeting the schedule will be decided and the constitution revised. It was decided last season to abolish the field captain for a year, and this matter, which is a very important one, will come up before the executive again. The double referee system will be considered, and everything points to this system being adopted in the West. The clubs have all organized and the players are anxiously awaiting the time, when they can get out to practice, and this time will not be long in coming."—Vancouver News-Advertiser.

AN OBJECTION RAISED.

"It appears that the officials of the New Westminster club are raising strong objections to the postponement of the annual meeting of the B. C. A. L. A.," says a Vancouver exchange. "It is quite natural to suppose that New Westminster would come along with an objection, but in the eyes of the other officials of the association it seems rather peculiar that postponement for only one week should cause such a lot of worry and consternation in the Royal City. There is absolutely no reason why the meeting should not be postponed, because of the absence from the country of President Hooper, and the sooner the men behind the New Westminster club realize that they cannot dictate the better it will be for the sport. New Westminster has continually fought the other clubs over trivial matters, and it is to be hoped that the affairs of the association will be controlled in a more business like manner than in the past.

"Before leaving for California, Mr. Hooper asked the sporting editor to interview Secretary Barr, of the provincial association, and in case he (Mr. Hooper) should not return by April 14th, the time set for the meeting, to have the gathering postponed. Mr. Barr has done this, but it has now come to light that a few of the New Westminster men cannot see things in the same light, and have raised objection to the postponement."

THE RIFLE.

AT CLOVER POINT.

On Saturday afternoon at the Clover Point rifle range a rather interesting shoot took place. The scores were much below the average, a fact accounted for by the heavy wind and the earliness of the season. The following are a few of the best scores:

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Co. Sergt.-Major Caven.	27	31	32	90
Hos. Sergt. Richardson.	26	31	29	86
Mr. A. E. Langley	29	34	23	86
Sergt. G. S. Carr	29	29	24	82
Corp. Simpson, R. E. ...	28	31	23	82
Corp. A. Richardson ...	25	30	25	80

GOOD FRIDAY SHOOT.

On Good Friday a shoot will be held at the Clover Point range, commencing at 9 o'clock. It should prove a splendid success, as those interested are arranging a number of competitions.

HOCKEY.

ENJOYABLE GATHERING.

A pleasant gathering of members of the Victoria Ladies' Hockey Club was held on Saturday afternoon at Oak Bay. It had been called for the purpose of winding up the season in some fitting manner. No definite programme had been drafted, that having been left entirely to the ingenuity of those attending. It is perhaps unnecessary to say that they proved equal to the occasion. An impromptu track meet was prepared, everyone entering the races without hesitation and thoroughly enjoying them. After these somewhat violent exercises the young ladies adjourned to the club house where tea was served. J. A. Virtue was called in while this was in progress and presented with a photograph of the team as an evidence of their appreciation of the many courtesies extended them during the season. Although taken by surprise, Mr. Virtue turned the tables by handing Miss D. Sehl, captain of the eleven, a handsome souvenir, which she acknowledged in appropriate terms. The success of the club was drunk in tea, after which the gathering dispersed.

BASKETBALL.

AN EVEN BREAK.

There was a large attendance at the Victoria West hall on Saturday evening when teams from the Victoria and Vancouver Young Men's Christian Associations tried conclusions. The first contest was between two fives selected from the working boys' classes, while the intermediates of the respective organizations met immediately after. In the former the Vancouver representatives were successful, winning by a score of 15 to 13. The struggle was keen and interesting from the start. Although the visitors would have made two of the local players in weight and age, the youngsters entered the match with a determination which almost earned them victory. It was only within the last few minutes that Vancouver managed to secure the winning points.

In the intermediate game, however, the tables were completely turned. The Victoria team outclassed that from the Terminal City. In point of combination, shooting, checking, and, in fact, every important feature, the local five excelled to such an extent that it was equally apparent to the adherents of both aggregations. At half time the score stood 13 to 5 and at the close of the game it was 24 to 13. G. A. Smith, physical director of the Vancouver Y. M. C. A., acted as referee of both games and gave entire satisfaction.

Upon the arrival of the Vancouver Y. M. C. A. members on Saturday night they were tendered a cordial reception by a delegation from the local association and escorted to the rooms where the tables were spread ready for the very delectable repast which followed. H. J. Knott presided. Short addresses were delivered by Messrs. Kendall, Smith and Mayhew of Vancouver, while H. W. Northcott, E. M. Whyte and H. B. Gregory ardently welcomed the visitors and expressed the hope that the relations between the Victoria and Vancouver organizations would always be cordial and that they would continue to work together for the prosperity of the cause.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

MEETING ON WEDNESDAY.

On Wednesday evening a meeting of the Victoria District Football Association will be held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms when the championship cups will be presented to the winners of the different leagues. As is generally known, these are held by the Victoria United (seniors) and Centrals (intermediates and juniors). It will be called at 8 o'clock and a full attendance is desired.

THE ROD.

SALMON IN SOOKE.

Owing, no doubt, to the sudden change in the weather fishing was not as good yesterday as has been the case for the past few weeks. From Sooke lake, for instance, where enthusiasts have been in the habit of making big catches regularly, some comparatively poor baskets were brought back. Among the fish caught were quite a number of a very different appearance to the ordinary trout. They are larger and of a shape singularly resembling that of the sockeye salmon. These specimens were shown J. P. Babcock, provincial fisheries commissioner, who pronounced them to be young salmon, and explained the mystery by recalling the deposit of salmon fry placed in the lake some years ago, adding that the experiment has evidently proved successful. In a short time disciples of Izaak Walton may expect to catch just as large fish in the Sooke waters as can be procured at any of the other popular resorts.

THE GUN.

LENFESTY VICTORIOUS.

Members of the Capital Gun Club turned out in force to the shoot announced to take place yesterday morning at the Willows traps. The programme included two events of exceptional importance, namely, the first of a series of ten for the medal presented by the Dominion Cartridge Company and that deciding who should have the honor of holding the Willows cup for the season. Eighteen crack shots participated in these events, the first of which was for 25 birds at unknown angles, and the second for 30 birds under the same conditions. Some of the best scores follow:

Dominion Cartridge Co. medal shoot—W. N. Lenfesty, 21; C. Banfield, 19; W. Peden, 19; G. Ross, 19; F. W. Stevenson, 18; E. McDougal, 17; J. Wilders, 16.

Willows cup shoot—W. N. Lenfesty, 27; W. Peden, 26; F. W. Stevenson, 24; G. Ross, 22; J. Wilders, 22.

A practice shoot will be held next Saturday afternoon to which all interested are extended a cordial welcome.

The Crimson Blind

By FRED. M. WHITE

CHAPTER LV.—(Continued.)

"No," Littimer cried. "I am going to make bad infinitely better. We come together again, but we say nothing of the past. And the world sneers and says the past is ignored for politic considerations. And so the public is going to know the truth, you dog. The whole facts of the case have gone to my solicitor, and by this time to-morrow a warrant will be issued against you. And I will stand in open court and tell the whole world my story."

"In fairness to Lady Littimer," said Enid, speaking for the first time, "you could do not less."

"You were always against me," Henson snarled.

"Because I always knew you," said Enid. "And the more I knew of you the greater was my contempt. And you came here ever on the same errand—money, money, money. From first to last you have robbed my aunt of something like £70,000. And always by threats or the promise that you would some day restore the ring to the family."

"As to the ring," Henson protested, "I swear—"

"I suppose a lie more or less makes no difference to an expert like yourself," Enid went on, with cold contempt. "You took advantage of my aunt's misfortunes. Ah, she is a different woman since Lord Littimer came here. But her sorrow has crushed her down, and that forgery of the ring you dangled before her eyes deceived her."

"I never showed her the ring," Henson said, brazenly.

"And you can look me in the face and say that?" One night Lady Littimer snatched it from you and ran into the garden. You followed and struggled for the ring. And Mr. David Steel, who stood close by, felled you to the earth with a blow on the side of your head. I wonder he didn't kill you. I should have done so in his place. And yet it would be a pity to hang anyone for your death. See here!"

Enid produced the ring from her pocket. Lord Littimer looked at it intently.

"Have you seen this before, my dear?" he asked his wife.

"Many a time," Lady Littimer said, sadly. "Take it away, it reminds me of too many bitter memories. Take it out of my sight."

"An excellent forgery," Littimer murmured. "A forgery calculated to deceive many experts even. I will compare it with the original by and by."

Henson listened with a sinking feeling at his heart. Was it possible, he wondered, that Lord Littimer had really recovered the original? He had had hopes of getting it back even now, and making it the basis of terms of surrender. Lady Littimer snatched the ring from Littimer's grasp and threw it through the open window into the garden.

She stood up facing Henson, her head thrown back, her eyes flaming with a new resolution. It seemed hardly possible to believe that this fine, handsome woman with the white hair could be the poor demented creature that the others once had known.

"Reginald Henson, listen to me," she cried. "For your own purpose you cruelly and deliberately set out to wreck the happiness of several lives. For mere money you did this; for sheer love of dissipation you committed this crime. You nearly deprived me of my reason. I say nothing about the money, because that is nothing by comparison. But the years that are lost can never come back to me again. When I think of the past and the past of my poor, unhappy boy I feel that I have no forgiveness for you. If you—Oh, go away; don't stay here—go. If I had known you were coming I should have forbidden you the house. Your mere presence unnerves me. Littimer, send him away."

Littimer rose to his feet and rang the bell.

"You will be good enough to rid me of your hateful presence," he said, "at once; now go."

But Henson still stood irresolute. He fidgeted from one foot to the other. He seemed to have some trouble that he could find no expression for.

"I want to go away," he murmured. "I want to leave the country. But at the present moment I am practically penniless. If you would advance me—"

Littimer laughed aloud.

"Upon my word," he said, "your coolness is colossal. I am going to prosecute you. I am doing my best to bring you into the dock. And you ask me—me, of all men—to find you money so that you can evade justice! Have you not had enough—are you never satisfied? Williams, will you see Mr. Henson off the premises?"

The smiling Williams bowed low.

"With the greatest possible pleasure, my lord," he said. "Any further orders, my lord?"

"And he is not to come here again, you understand." Williams seemed to understand perfectly. With one backward sullen glance Henson quitted the room and passed into the night with his companion. Williams was whistling cheerfully, with his hands thrust deep into his pockets.

"Is that how you treat a gentleman?" Henson demanded.

"I ain't a gentleman," Williams said. "Never set up to be. And I ain't a dirty rascal who has just been kicked out of a nobleman's house. Here, stop that. Try that game on again and I'll call the dogs. And don't show me any of your airs, please. I'm only a servant, but I am an honest man."

Henson stifled his anger as best he could. He was too miserable and downcast to think of much besides himself at present. Once the lodge gates were open, Williams stood aside for him to pass. The temptation was irresistible. And Henson's back was turned. With a kick of concentrated contempt and rage Williams shot Henson into the road, where he landed full on his face. His cup of humiliation was complete.

(To be continued.)

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What Other People Think

LOVE, MATRIMONY, DIVORCE, DISASTER.

To the Editor.—Do the majority of those who marry love each other before marriage? This is a question which might be asked in many instances. They may perhaps think they do. Do they? There are many persons who are just human plants—vegetables. Their heads, like pumpkins, their bodies, legs and arms like mangel wurzels—worse than dead beets.

Like plants, they just grow! grow!! grow!!! That is all. They marry—the Rev. Madison C. Peters says—"As you value your life do not marry a manikin, a hatter's show block, or a tailor's lay figure. The dandy dressed up is like a cinnamon tree, the bark is worth more than the body." They have not enough spirit in them to love. Love is the highest exhibition of human effort. It is the purest motive power of humanity. It is the most supreme essence of the human being. It has been said, they marry. Why? They met; an accident! It just happened!

There are children, another accident. It also happened. Their offspring are small species of vegetables. Dear little plants, sometimes they show more affection in one moment than their progenitors do during all the course of their lives. Why? Because the divine essence has not been dulled and the windows of their soul have not yet been barred. As they grow they show signs of mental activity. An accident—partly. They have in their organization a germ from ancestry.

The germ is struck. In the concussion it explodes. The explosion, like all explosions, causes more or less noise. The crowd of other vegetables turn round. Vanity is kindled; result, more effort; then comes some mental fruit and keeps alive the human mentality of the species and preserves it from utter extinction.

Can we expect more from the mass of humanity than we get at present? No, not while their ambition and affections are at so low an ebb. Can we expect happy marriages when people marry by accident? No! we might as well expect two trains on a single track rushing to head-on collision to avoid damage. Remember the results of many human collisions are far more reaching in their effect.

Can anyone suggest a safer track. The present single track leads to destruction. THE ODD MAN OUT.

Vancouver, B. C.

THE ORPHANAGE SQUABBLE.

To the Editor:—The editor of the Colonist had better stick to politics. Writing dissertations on Kaien Island and kindred subjects is evidently more in his line than preparing sermons on Christian charity and the like. If we can judge by the specimen he gives us in the editorial column of his Sunday morning's issue. It is seldom that one sees in a newspaper making any pretensions to respectability an article so wildly misleading, so utterly at variance with the facts, as that Sunday morning production appears to be, and what renders this action of the editor all the more reprehensible is the fact that along with his misrepresentations he has interspersed a goodly mixture of pious platitudes about Christian charity, the golden rule, etc.

According to this "sermon" certain clergymen of this city lately entered into a conspiracy to depose Mr. Hayward from the presidency of the board of management of the Protestant Orphanage, and this conspiracy was the outgrowth of spite caused by a "quarrel" between Mr. Hayward and these clergymen at the time of the late municipal election. In other words, he would have us believe that a number of the Protestant clergymen of the city first conspired to defeat Mr. Hayward in the mayoralty contest and have now carried their spite to the orphanage board. Surely the editor of the Colonist is not silly enough to believe any such nonsense as that, even if Mr. Hayward is. That "quarrel" exists only in Mr. Hayward's imagination; the conspiracy likewise. Neither ever had a shadow of foundation in fact. It is true that at a public meeting in the city hall one evening during the late civic elections, Rev. Mr. Dakin took the opportunity of asking Mr. Hayward certain pointed questions. In doing this, however, he was clearly within his right as a citizen, and was but responding to the invitation of the candidate himself, who invited questions from any one in the audience. Moreover, Mr. Dakin prefaced his questions by the statement that certain reports were being circulated privately about Mr. Hayward and he deemed it right that he should be given an opportunity of denying them if untrue. Until that evening Mr. Dakin had never met or even seen Mr. Hayward. That there was any "quarrel" over the matter, or any "conspiracy" connected with it, or that anyone prompted Mr. Dakin to ask these questions, or even knew he was going to ask them, is absolutely untrue; and if the incident in any way affected the result of the election it was owing to the manner in which the questions were answered.

Mr. Dakin's connection with the board of management of the orphanage has been equally as honorable and above suspicion. He received a letter from Mr. Seowcroft notifying him of his election to the board of management. Some time afterward he received another letter from the same gentleman notifying him to attend a meeting of that board to be held on a certain day. He attended and took part in the deliberations just as he did the year before. Mr. Hayward acted as chairman of that meeting and made no protest or objection whatever against any of those present taking part. A few days after the meeting Mr. Dakin was served with a writ summoning him to appear in court and answer for having attended that meeting, etc. The first intimation he ever had that there was anything wrong in connection with the matter or that any fee were necessary in order to qualify him for the position on the board was when he received the writ.

Moreover, it is now known that several of those whose names appear on the writ as plaintiffs have not themselves paid the fee necessary to qualify themselves as subscribers, while at least two ministers who attended and took part in the meeting had not paid any fee, and yet are not summoned. Why were Rev. Dakin and a few others summoned and these others not? Why was a writ the first notice these gentlemen received of an irregularity? Why was the customary professional etiquette not shown these gentlemen in this instance? It certainly looks very much as if there was a conspiracy in the case—the conspiracy being on the other side—a conspiracy to punish Mr. Dakin for his action at the city hall meeting. That the prosecution strongly savors of animus appears from the fact that only a part of those taking part in the late meeting are being prosecuted, while others in precisely the same situation are allowed to go free. That the action is not taken in the interest of the orphanage must be acknowledged when it is learned that the late meeting was fully as legal as any of those held during the last eight years. If the Home could be run illegally for eight years without suffering in any way, it surely would not have suffered if it had been allowed to continue in the same way till the end of the present year, when any irregularities could easily have been straightened out. And it ill becomes the friends and defenders of those who failed to take such a course to lecture others about Christian charity, etc. It would be well for those people to practice a little of that charity about which they can preach so glibly when it suits them to do so.

It is not necessary to discuss in this connection the idea which prevails in certain quarters in this city that newcomers ought not to take part in any public business in this city, but should wait for ten or twenty years and learn wisdom from the fossilized old fogies, who have been left over since pioneer times. That idea prevails largely in the political circles which the Colonist represents, and it is one of the main reasons why the party so represented and managed now finds itself in such a hopeless minority in this city.

BAPTIST LAYMAN.

THE PERMANENT SIDEWALKS.

To the Editor:—At the recent meeting held at the North Ward school Mayor Morley and Alderman Fullerton dwelt upon the advisability of compelling the adjacent property owners to pay the whole cost of all local improvements. The city last year laid down considerable stretches of these sidewalks and this year these are being repaired to a very considerable extent. The city did this by day labor, employing a superintendent at high wages to see that it was properly done, and this is the result. On Blanchard street broken bits of wood and marly shingle were conspicuous elements in the concrete. Now there is no other word for this than rascally carelessness, and the Mayor ought to see that this is not repeated and that incapable persons are not allowed to be employed on public works. There is one other moral: The municipality, who uses the sidewalks thousands of times more than any adjacent owner possibly can, should certainly pay two-thirds of the cost if the unlucky owner of adjacent property pays one-third. The Mayor's suggestion was neither reasonable nor just.

NORTHWARDER.

April 7th, 1906.

G. T. P. PLANS.

Chas. M. Hays, President of Line, Interviewed on Return From London.

Reference was made some days ago to the return from London of Chas. M. Hays, president of the Grand Trunk Pacific, and his statement that the road had been financed now as far west as the Rockies, and a vigorous policy would be pursued in finding a route through the mountains. Eastern exchanges now to hand give further details of the statements of President Hays. The Montreal Star in recording his return publishes the following:

"My visit to London this time," said Mr. Hays, "as in other years, was to go over the affairs of the system with the president and directors over there."

Mr. Hays also stated that the directorate were very well pleased with the success attending the late issue of $5,000,000 Grand Trunk guaranteed four per cent. stock, the amount of which was several times oversubscribed. This amount will be applied to the Union station at Toronto, and to the requirements of the system throughout the country. A site has been purchased by the company upon which will be created offices for the Grand Trunk and Grank Trunk Pacific in London, and the building will be among the finest in the metropolis.

When questioned regarding the Grand Trunk Pacific, Mr. Hays said the proposed new line was financed as far as the Rockies, and that engineers were covering the several passes with the object of selecting the locations.

When asked as to the report that the Quebec-Moncton section would be abandoned, he replied that he was not dealing with that matter as this work was being done by the government.

"Canada occupies a very prominent place in the eyes of the British public," concluded Mr. Hays, "due in a great measure to the fact that the Grand Trunk Pacific, Canadian Pacific and the Canadian Northern are so successfully carrying on their different enterprises in opening up the country to the future millions who will settle here. The only apprehension in this regard is the possibility of wildcat schemes being foisted on the public over there to the great injury of Canada's credit and reputation."

PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

Roland Brittain, patent attorney, of Vancouver, sends the following report, being an abstract from the official Gazette of the United States patent office for the week ending March 27th, 1906:

During this week 580 patents were granted to citizens of the United States, 3 to Austria-Hungary; Canada, 8; Denmark, 1; Great Britain, 15; France, 5; Germany, 14; Hayti, 1; Italy, 1; Mexico, 1; Newfoundland, 1; New South Wales, 1; South Australia, 1; Spain, 1, and Transvaal, South Africa, 1.

RATHBONE SISTERS.

Island Temple Has Been Instituted and Officers Installed.

Island Temple, No. 8, Rathbone Sisters, was instituted last Friday afternoon and evening at K. of P. hall. Grand Deputy Chief Mrs. M. Neave, of Nanaimo, and Sister Wilson and Sister Nevell and Sister McKinnon, of Ladysmith, arrived on the noon train, and were escorted by a committee to the Dominion hotel.

The institution of temple and installation of officers took place at 2 p. m., when the following officers were installed: Past chief, Sister Moss; M. E. chief, Sister Dempster; E. senior, Sister O'Keefe; E. junior, Sister Vey; manager, Sister Bradley; protector, Sister Wrigglesworth; O. guard, Sister Monteith; M. of R. and C., Sister Shade; M. of F., Sister Stephens; trustees, Sister Monteith, Sister Walker and Sister Hubbard.

After installation refreshments were served.

The Rathbone Sisters are a sister lodge of the Knights of Pythias, and all joining must be wives, sisters, mothers or daughters of Knights of Pythias in good standing.

The sister lodge was organized under favorable conditions, and expects to rapidly increase in numbers.

"MY WIFE'S FAMILY."

Musical Farce Comedy Will Be Presented at the Victoria on Wednesday.

What is pronouncerd to be one of the cleverest farce comedies of the musical persuasion ever seen on a local stage will be the attraction at the Victoria theatre on Wednesday, when Stephens and Linton's merry musical mixup, "My Wife's Family," arrives. This production is a melange of comedy situations, bright lines, original repartee, dances and music. As in all farce comedies, there are innumerable complications, but instead of abandoning their plot to a single moment of explanation at the close, the authors have worked it out to a definite conclusion, and so treated the abused mother-in-law topic that it assumes a new phase in their treatment. In brief, the plot deals with the determined effort of a young husband to rid himself and his home of an inroad of a horde of his wife's relatives. To accomplish this he enlists the assistance of a man about town known as Doc Knott, and the two resort to everything short of murder. There are endless situations which keep the house in an uproar, with enough music and dancing to give variety.

THE LIBERAL LEADER.

J. A. Macdonald Delivered Speech at Meeting of Rossland Liberals.

A meeting of the Liberals of Rossland was held in the board of trade rooms Tuesday evening, which was very largely attended. The purpose of the meeting was principally to hear J. A. Macdonald, M. P. P., and leader of the opposition, give an account of the doings of the house at the recent session.

Mr. Macdonald spoke at length concerning the Kaien Island deal, and said that the finding of the majority of the committee was unfair and not in keeping with the evidence adduced before the commission, which, he said, was quite clear to every one who has read the evidence. Mr. Macdonald then declared that the minority report was right in every particular, according to the sworn evidence. The speaker also referred to the granting of 800,000 acres to the Columbia & Western railway, and said the facts showed clearly that the railway was in no way entitled to the land, for the reason that it had not fulfilled its part of the contract with the government in failing to build the railway in the prescribed time to Penticton. The speaker also gave a very clear account of what took place in the House at the last session, and was heartily cheered on resuming his seat.

Smith Curtis also spoke and referred to the Kaien Island deal and the granting of the land to the Columbia & Western railway, denouncing the action of the government in making the grant to the railway of lands which he claimed they were not entitled to.

A vote of confidence was passed unanimously in Mr. Macdonald as leader of the Liberals of this province and in the stand taken by the opposition at the last session of the House.

ROSSLAND CAMP.

Managing Director of the Le Roi Has Arrived—Last Week's Shipments.

Rossland, April 7.—A. J. McMillan, managing director of the Le Roi, arrived here last night from London. He arrived in New York about a month since, but stopped off at St. Paul and other places while en route. He has been in England for about eight months, and now that he is here he is so very busy that he is not yet ready to say anything concerning the mine until he has had an opportunity of looking it over.

The shipments for the week ending this evening were as follows: Centre Star, 3,000 tons; Le Roi, 2,400 tons; Le Roi No. 2, 530 tons; Le Roi No. 2 (milled), 1,200 tons. Ttotal for the week, 7,140 tons, and for the year 84,065 tons.

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GIRL KILLED.

Run Down by a Freight Train in Seattle.

Seattle, April 8.—Katherine Allan Vinette, aged 7 years, was run down and instantly killed by a freight train in front of her parents' home at 1607 Grant street. Within sight of the agonized mother, who was powerless to save her child, the little one met death.

The dead girl was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Vinette, and is the third and last child to be taken from them by the hand of death during the last few months. Two died from diphtheria but a short time ago.

The child had been playing with her little friends near the house. Mrs. Vinette cautioned the little girl to be careful when crossing the tracks. Soon after the child left the house, Mrs. Vinette heard the rumble of an approaching freight train. She went to the front door to see if her daughter had reached her playmates in safety, but was horrified to see the little one dash across the tracks just as the train was backing toward her. The mother screamed at the men on the train, and the cars were brought to a standstill, but not before life had been crushed from the tiny body. The child had been knocked down by the bumper and her body horribly mangled.

HAS CAUSED TWO SUICIDES.

A dispatch from Frank, Alberta, dated April 5th says: "Corporal E. W. Kimberley of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police, who has been in charge of the barracks at this station, committed suicide at 3.30 this morning by shooting himself in the mouth with a revolver, killing himself instantly. The act was committed while Kimberley was seated on the edge of his bed in the barracks, and was doubtless committed over being jilted by a woman of the under-world, named Mabel Burns, with whom the corporal has been madly infatuated for a time, and with whom he has been quarrelling for several days.

"The woman in the case has been living in Blairmore for some time, and shortly after a violent quarrel and fight with Kimberley a few days ago, she left Blairmore and is supposed to have told the corporal that she would have nothing more to do with him. She returned on last night's train and she and the corporal commenced quarrelling once more.

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A WONDERFUL LAND.

The women of Iceland have more civil rights than those of any other country in the world. Their right to franchise is exercised in all civic affairs, save that of the election of members. To sustain their political status, the women have formed themselves into a political league, which now numbers seven thousand members, and is a factor to be reckoned with in municipal affairs. They are admitted to the Latin College at the capital (a knowledge of Latin being the test qualification) on the same footing with men, but are denied diplomas, and degree are withheld. The younger women, under the leadership of the brightest of their number, have organised to demand this right, and, no doubt, in the near future, it will be granted.

The people are all educated, the school system being one of the finest in the world, and perfectly free from political domination. They are poetical as a nation, and two distinct schools of verse obtain, the old and the new. In the northern capital a poet of the old school entertained me in his home, where this genius has acquired seventeen languages, in all of which he conversed as fluently as his own.—Jessie Ackerman, in the Sunday Strand.

There are several species of fish, reptiles, and insects which never sleep during the whole of their existence. Among fish it is positively known that pike, salmon and goldfish never sleep at all; also that there are several other fish that never sleep more than a few minutes a month.

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THE HAPPIEST TIME

THE STRENGTH OF TEN.

By MARY STEWART CUTTING.

AFTER plunging from the light and comfort of the heated train to the track, just below the little Gothic station of Braewood, John Atterbury had well-nigh had a mile to walk before reaching his suburban residence.

The wind cut his strong lungs like a knife, and his feet seemed to stumble against the cold as if it had been a visible barrier. Moreover, he bore within him no lightness of spirit, but all the chill and fatigue of a hard day spent in business transactions that had come to nothing, adding to the bitter knowledge of an immediate and pressing need for money in the common uses of life. His tired brain revolved subconsciously futile plans for the morrow, while his one overmastering desire was to reach the light and warmth and rest of the cozy house that sheltered his young wife and three small children.

With a sharp pang of disappointment he perceived as he turned the corner, that the front of the villa was in darkness except for a dim light in his wife's room, and as he opened the door with his latch key no gush of hot air greeted him, but a stony coldness. He knocked against a go-cart in the square hall on his way to light the gas, and his wife's voice called down softly:

"Is that you, dear?"

"Yes. Are you ill?"

"No, only resting. Aren't you coming up?"

"In a moment."

He went upstairs with a firm and even step, treading more lightly as he passed the nursery door, and entered the room, where his wife lay on the lounge in a crimson dressing-gown, a flowered coverlet thrown over her feet, her dark hair lying in rings on the white pillow, and her large, dark eyes turned expectantly toward him. The comfort of the pretty, luxurious room was eclipsed by the icy chill that was like an opaque atmosphere.

The wind outside hurled itself at the house and shook the shutters.

Atterbury turned up the gas, and then sat down on the couch by his wife and kissed her.

"What's the matter?"

"Nothing but that old pain; it will go over if I lie still—it was my only chance if we are to go out to-night. It's really better now. I promised Mrs. Harrington faithfully this afternoon that we'd come, in spite of the weather. Do you mind?"

"No. Is Harrington home yet?"

"She expects him back this evening. Oh, Jack, Bridget was sent for this morning before the breakfast things were cleared away. She really didn't want to go off this time, but that mother of hers—We've had such a day! The furnace——"

"I see that it's out."

"Both fires were out, but the range is going now. The wind was all wrong. We made up the furnace three times, but I couldn't remember how to turn the dampers. There's a grate fire in the nursery, though."

"The water hasn't frozen in the pipes, I hope?"

She nodded speechlessly and looked at him, her eyes large with unshed tears.

"Why didn't you tell me?" He rose for action. "You should have sent for the plumber at once."

"There wasn't any one to send, and it was so late when I found it out; he wouldn't have come until to-morrow, anyway."

There was a certain look in his wife's face at times which filled Atterbury with extreme tenderness. He went over to the closet, poured out some cordial in a small glass and brought it to her to drink, watching narrowly until a faint tinge of color relieved the bluish pallor around her mouth. Then he poured out another glass for himself and spread the down coverlet more closely over her.

"You lie still." He passed a heavy, affectionate hand over her forehead and she rested her cheek against it with a passionate helplessness. "What on earth did you want to do all the work for to-day? Why didn't you get the McCaffrey woman? You've no business to tire yourself out like this, Agnes."

"I thought—I know that we have so little money—I wanted to economize; other women seem to do such things without any trouble at all."

"Well, we won't economize that way." He spoke with the quick, matter-of-fact decision of a man used to affairs, temporarily regardless of the financial situation. "I'll go down now and start things up!"

"Your dinner is in the oven. I'll send Katy to you as soon as Herbert is asleep."

"All right! Don't you worry, I'll get it."

He ran downstairs and Agnes listened to his receding footsteps, a warm comfort in her heart despite that racking of the bones, as of one "smote hip and thigh," which comes to the delicately born with unaccustomed kitchen work.

Atterbury stoked and shoveled with every quick sense suddenly concentrated on a deep and hidden care. If anything should happen to his wife—vague, yet awful phrase—if anything should "happen" to his wife! She was not made for struggle; the doctor had told him that before. He knew, none better! how brave, loving, yet sensitive a spirit was housed in that tender and fragile body. If she were to leave him and their little children—

No mist came over his eyes at the phantom, but a sobered keenness of vision gleamed there. There were certain things which it behoved a man to do. He walked over to the coal bins—they were nearly empty. Well, more coal must be ordered at once; he would himself speak about it to Murphy, and make arrangements to pay that last bill—somehow.

A catalogue of indebtedness unrolled itself before him, but he gazed at it steadily. The fog-like depression was gone. He felt in his veins the first tingling of that bitter wine of necessity which invigorates the strong spirit.

And there was Harrington, at whose house the card party was to be held to-night. He had not told his wife how much he counted on seeing Harrington, but he was sure that she had divined it—nothing else would have taken him out again on such a night. Atterbury had helped Harrington about his patent, and the latter professed himself eager to repay the service. If Harrington had used his influence as he could use it—and had got the company to look at the land, why, it was as good as sold. Atterbury knew that it held the very qualities for which they were looking. He felt a little bitterly that the friends on whom he had most counted had failed him. Callender—Nichols—Waring—in their plans there was no room for him.

When Atterbury went back to his wife, warmed with his work, she was standing before a mirror, dressing; a faint, smoky smell arose from the register. An infant's prattle, mixed with an occasional whimper, came from the nursery.

"I've wrapped hot cloths around the pipes," he said, cheerfully, "and left a couple of kerosene lamps lighted on the floor near them. We'll have to take our chances now. What's this envelope on the mantelpiece?" His face fell. "Another assessment from the association? That makes the eleventh this month, besides the regular insurance."

"But you can't pay it!" She had looked bright when he came in, but now her lips quivered.

"Oh, I'll have to pay that; don't you worry about it. I tell you, though, Agnes, I'd be worth a good deal more to you dead than I am now."

"Don't! You know I hate to hear you talk like that." She grasped him by her two slender, cold hands and tried ineffectually to shake him while he smiled down at her, and then hid her head on his breast, raising it, however, to say: "Did you eat your dinner? I hope that it wasn't burned."

"I ate—some of it!"

"Oh," she groaned, "and on such a night!"

"Never mind. I'm counting on a good hot supper at Harrington's. And, Agnes, just listen to that child! Don't you think he might go to sleep better if I brought him in here with us for a few moments?"

"No," said his wife. She added afterward, sweetly, in token of renewed amity, "He's such a darling, and he looks more like you, every day. He'll be asleep soon. But I'm sure Gwendolen will have the croup to-night the house has been so cold."

"Oh, of course," said Atterbury grimly. Husband and wife looked at each other and laughed, and then kissed in silence, like two children, in single accord.

The Harrington's house was certainly a change from the one they had left. Delicious warmth radiated from it as the arctic doors unclosed to let the guests in, the crimson-shaded lights were reflected on the card tables and the polished floor.

"You are late," said the hostess, who was considered handsome, with heavy black eyebrows, dimples in her white, rounded cheeks and a petulant expression. "You are late, but not so late as my husband. It's the way I'm always treated," she pouted engagingly, "you other men will have to be very, very nice to me."

It pleased her to pose as the attractive young married woman, and by tacit consent the suburban husbands were allowed by their wives to go through the motions of flirting with her.

Atterbury settled down to the strain of waiting. The company was composed of couples who saw each other daily, the men on the trains, the women in their small social rounds. Every event that happened in their little circle was common property, to be discussed by all, yet in spite of this pooling of interests, so to speak, the weekly gathering at the houses of different members always took on an aspect of novelty. Every one dressed for the occasion, and there was usually a good game of cards and a modest little supper afterwards, and the women met other men besides their husbands and the men met each other and smoked after supper. The only real variety in the programme was that the simple and hearty friendliness beneath all this was more apparent at some houses than at others.

The Harringtons were the confessedly rich people of the set, and the entertainments which they gave were characterized with a little more pomp and circumstance. Mrs. Harrington, for all her perfunctory belleship, was a lively and entertaining hostess.

In one of the intermissions of the card game Atterbury heard Henry Waring say to Nichols:

"Did you see the little item in one of the evening papers about that Western company to whom Harrington sold his patent?"

"No; what was it?" asked Nichols.

"They're going to start up the plant at once near some town in Missouri. I've forgotten the name—paid fifty thousand for the ground. It seems a good deal of money to pay for a clay bank. Of course, Harrington's in a hurry to start them up; he'll get a big royalty."

"You are not to talk business," said Mrs. Harrington's gay voice.

Atterbury felt the room swirl around with him; he knew the name of the town well enough! He had been sure from the first that those barren acres of his held just what the company was looking for, but he had never dreamed of getting more than ten or fifteen thousand for them. A warm gratitude to Harrington filled him, and then a chill of doubt. No sale could take place without his knowledge.

It was a tremendous relief when the players left the tables and stood or sat in little homelike groups, all talking and laughing at once in a merry tumult. The absence of Harrington had ceased to be noticed by any one but Atterbury when the sound of wheels was heard grating on the driveway outside. He clutched the chair he stood by, although his face was impassive.

Mrs. Harrington ran into the hall with an exclamation of pleasure, as the door opened, letting in a flood of cold air and a large man heavily wrapped in fur. The listening company heard him say:

"What in time have you got this crowd here to-night for?" The words were respectable, but the tone cursed.

There was a stiffening change in her voice.

"Hush! Didn't you get my letter?"

"What letter? No—if I had I wouldn't have been fool enough to come home for a quiet night's rest. You can't live without a lot of people cackling around you."

"Go to bed, then. Nobody wants to see you!"

"Much rest I'd get with that mob in there."

For very shame's sake, the guests were hurriedly talking to cover the sounds of strife.

"Harrington's trip evidently hasn't done him much good," said Nichols to Atterbury.

"It's possible," said Atterbury, thoughtfully.

"It doesn't do to take things like that; if you lose your grip you can't get on."

"That's what I'm finding out now. I don't mind telling you, Mr. Nichols, that I'm in a hole. But you have no experience in that way; your business is secure."

The two men had drawn to one side and were talking in low and confidential tones.

"Is it? I tell you, Atterbury, the time I went through five years ago, was awful, simply awful. No, I never said a word to a soul here; nobody even suspected. There was one time when I thought I'd have to send Sue and the babies home to her father, and light out for the Klondike."

"But you didn't said Atterbury, his own pulse leaping to the courage of the other man with a sudden kinship.

"No, I didn't go. You can't be discouraged when you have a wife and children to support. Things turned out—it was most unexpected. I'll tell you all about it some day."

They looked at each other in silence.

"By the way, you are rather at a standstill at present," said Nichols after a pause. "We've got to get some one to represent us in South Africa at once—business possibilities are opening up there tremendously. You don't happen to know of the right person?"

"Myself," said Atterbury.

"I wish it were possible," said Nichols politely. "But we must have some one who thoroughly understands the business and the machines. The fact is, either Callender or I ought to go, but we can't leave. We virtually need a third man in the firm, but he must have capital."

"Please come into the other room, all of you," said the hostess, pulling aside the portieres. There was a heightened color in her face and her eyes were hard. "Mr. Harrington says that he is going to stay in here until we have finished, but I know you won't miss him!"

"Oh, come along in, Harrington," said Nichols, good naturedly. "Tell us of your travels in the wild and woolly West."

"There's nothing to tell," said Harrington shortly, turning away from the instructive question in Atterbury's look with almost brutal rudeness, and pushing past him to an arm chair. He was a big man with thick, black hair and a black mustache, which dropped over a heavy chin.

"I've passed the nights in beastly sleeping cars and the days in dining and wining a lot of low, greasy politicians. I'm dog-tired." There were deep lines in his low forehead and under his eyes, and his large, white, powerful hands clasped and unclasped nervously.

"You go in there, both of you. I'm all broke up. My wife will entertain you; her—chatter drives me mad!"

"I'll stay here with you," said Atterbury resolutely.

"I will send your supper in to you," called Mrs. Harrington lightly, as she saw him draw up a chair to one of the deserted card tables near which Harrington was sitting with his eyes still closed and his head leaned back against the cushions.

He paid no attention to the dishes, but

Atterbury ate and drank quickly, like the hungry man he was, though hardly knowing what he tasted, except that it was warm and good. Then he sat absently looking at the scene in the supper room where the guests were grouped around the table.

"Well," said Atterbury, suddenly after a while, "what have you got to say to me, Harrington?"

Harrington unclosed his heavy, dark ringed eyes and gazed at him.

"What have I to say to you?" He gave a short laugh. "Why, nothing that I know of—nothing but that I have an infernal headache."

"I am sorry to have to disturb you if you are ill," said Atterbury in level tones, "but a word will suffice, Harrington. I know that the land is virtually sold—it was in the evening paper. How much did it bring?"

"What land?"

"My land."

"I don't know anything about your property. The ground that the company bought belonged to me."

"To you! You never told me that you owned any in Missouri."

"Do I have to tell you everything?" Harrington's black eyes were contemptuously defiant.

"No, but you'll have to tell me this," said Atterbury.

Harrington shifted uneasily. "Well, then, take the truth if you want it. I meant to keep faith with you fairly enough, and I would have stuck to your interests if I could have afforded to—that's the whole gist of the matter. And you've no case for complaint. We hadn't any agreement."

"You found another section like mine?"

Harrington nodded. "Nearly as good."

"You used the private information I gave you, I suppose?" said Atterbury in dangerously low tones.

A flicker of a smile crossed Harrington's moody face.

"Well yes. You gave me the points, and I used them. Any man would."

"You miserable sneaking liar!" said Atterbury, very slowly. He rose, and brought both hands down on the table with a gesture that did not lose in power because it made no sound. He did not see the startled glance of Nichols and Callender as he went over to a place beside them. His wife wondered, as they did, at a new royalty in his tall bearing, as if one used to high command, and bowed herself in adoration before it.

There was a vibrant tone in his voice as he said:

"Mr. Nichols, I want to go to South Africa for you."

The gaze of the two men met with almost an electric shock.

"But you don't know the business!"

"I can learn it."

"We don't want a man to learn," said Callender, speaking for the first time. "You must understand that, Atterbury! We can find men on every street corner who would like to learn. We want some one with a good working knowledge, who has had experience, and is familiar with our machines and our methods—one who can leave his family—and has capital—"

Atterbury shook his head. "No! You want a man like me, one who cannot only handle your machines, but handle men, and has had experience outside of your narrow line. Good heavens, Callender, the man you speak of—barring the capital—can almost be picked up at the street corners. Granted that I don't know the business as you do—that's but a detail; I know what business really is. Granted that I've got no capital—I've got the one thing you really need, and that's the brains and energy to get it for you. Take me into your conferences, give me a fighting knowledge of what you want, and I'll bring in the capital. Great Scott, Nichols, can't you see that I'm the opportunity you want?"

Nichols sat immovable, holding on to the arms of his chair with both hands. Facing the light of Atterbury's face, the answering light shone in his own. Callender still objected, although plainly under great excitement.

"You haven't managed your own affairs so well."

"No," said Atterbury, turning on him like lightning, "and you know why. You know just what claims the death of Anderson laid upon me, and how I've tried to carry them. They will be paid off now. Callender, you're not worth my powder and shot; you're just talking. Mr. Nichols, I'm speaking to you. You know I can handle this thing!"

Both men rose unconsciously and looked at each other, with a long breath between them.

"When will you send me out?" asked Atterbury at last with his brilliant smile.

"Come to me to-morrow at ten," said Nichols, giving his hand to the other, who grasped it silently. "Mind, I don't promise anything."

As he and his wife stepped out once more into the darkness, the wind nearly hurled them off their feet, a million icy points of snow pricked and stung the face. She clung to him, and he put his arm around her and swept her through the storm as a lover might his bride, unknowing of it.

Yet for all that warm clasp, she subtly felt the severance of his thought from her, and when they were safely landed in the hall, she said nervously:

"What was that I heard you saying to Mr. Nichols? You're not going to leave me!"

He bent his ardent eye upon her with a glow which she had never seen in them even in the earliest days of their love.

"Ah, but it will be only to come back to you," he said with a leap forward to a joy that made parting dim, and she looked up at him with a soul so steeped in love that for the moment she could only desire what he did.

Fierce blasts of heat from the furnace showed that Katy had peacefully forgotten the dampers, the water dripped, dripped into the kitchen sink from the thawing pipes. A hollow clanging cough from the upper regions told that poor little Gwendolen's post-festive croup had indeed set in, but even this no longer appeared a bitter and blasting ill to Atterbury, but merely a temporary discomfort, to be gone, with the morrow.

A SOCIOLOGICAL EXPERIMENT

By EDITH M. DOANE.

It was no less distinguished a person than the Earl of Chilcote, described in the peerage as "John Lawrence Renshaw, Viscount Renshaw of the Essex, and ninth Earl of Chilcote," who finally clinched the matter.

Up to that time Jane's interest in sociological research had wavered, and her activities in that field had been limited to the donation of an occasional check. But when the Cunard liner presumably bearing the distinguished person of the Earl left Liverpool, that irate young lady, in a fine glow of purpose—and a most becoming gown—descended upon the East Side and was welcomed by the College Settlement there with flattering enthusiasm.

"And may I live with you here at the settlement?" pleaded the would-be sociologist. "I wish to give myself entirely to the work and be free from distracting surroundings—and earls," she added, under her breath.

"We have great need of such earnest co-operation," said Dr. Weston, beaming approval on the alluring face under the soft brown hair.

"She has an unusually beautiful and self-sacrificing spirit," he commented later.

"She has an unusually beautiful figure," answered his wife, dryly. Mrs. Weston was a woman, and ten years of East Side hardships had not dulled her appreciation of the trim lines of a London tailor-made gown.

Meanwhile, on the other side of the city, in a great house by the Park, there rose a chorus of Jane's exasperated relatives, whose emotions gained in force and fluency as the days went by. "Burying herself down there!" "Refused even to meet him!" "Think of the opportunity!" "And of the title—an earl!" "Such a brilliant marriage!"

"Providing she was lucky enough to land him," suggested a frivolous young cousin who was not old enough to appreciate the tragic interest of the situation.

It was not Jane Renwick's fault that she had been inconvenienced by inheriting all of "Old Job Renwick's" millions at the age of eighteen, nor was she responsible for that gentleman's wish that she place herself under the guardianship of her dead mother's Eastern relatives. Jane had loved her rough, good-natured father, and in obedience to his last request, promptly betook herself and her millions Eastward. In the three years following that event she had occupied her time in shifting her Western theories to meet the realities of Eastern society, and in regarding her responsibilities and restrictions (as represented respectively by the millions and the relatives) in irritated dismay.

However, Jane had managed to get on very well, according to her own lights—one aunt had gone under the care of a nerve specialist in the meantime—until the shadow, so to speak, of the Earl of Chilcote fell across her horizon and stirred her to open revolt.

"I'll not be dragged around for his approval!" she exclaimed, her voice ringing with the dominant note that had been old Job Renwick's own. "Earl, indeed! Adventurer would be the better term! And half the women in New York on their knees to him."

"But, Jane——"

The protest was swept aside in the rising tide of Jane's wrath.

"How much am I offered for this title?" went on that young person vehemently. "This mothy, worm eaten, worthless old title? Two millions! Three millions? Five millions! And more? Six millions! That's right, ladies; bid against it. Nine millions. Going at nine millions! Sold! For nine millions to the young ladies in front."

Jane stopped for breath.

"Hooray for Jane!" murmured the irrepressible younger cousin.

The relatives sat nervously expectant as to what might happen when she should next open her mouth.

She stood before them, slim, pretty, defiant. "There is one American heiress," she finished crisply, "who will not bid."

The loss of society was the gain of the East Side.

Mike Leary voiced the sentiment of the community after the meeting of the Boys' Club at which Jane presided.

"You'd orter been there. We had a new teacher," vouchsafed Mike to a fellow member.

"What's she like?"

"She's a peach," was the succinct reply.

And Jane? She went in for mothers' meetings and social clubs with an ardor that was inspiring; cajoled irrepressible youngsters; smiled on their mothers, and dutifully read to hopelessly clean and uninteresting old women by the hour.

But some characters one meets on the East Side are dirty and brutal and shake one's faith in human nature; and sometimes the air of the courts is foul and ill-smelling, and one is depressed by the unending line of drearily ugly tenements. At such times one does not regret what one has done, but one feels vaguely disappointed.

"I will not go to the Boys' Club," said Jane one evening. "I will visit in the library. I am tired."

Outside, a cold wind blew the rain drearily against the window panes. In the library a log fire blazed brightly in the fireplace and sent gay little shadows dancing over the tall bookcases. It was a cheerful place. Jane glanced at the fire appreciatively. Then she looked up and saw the man. He was just a wholesome, ordinary-looking man, evidently a working man, and he flushed to the roots of his thick, light hair as he sprang to his feet and stammered, "I—I beg your pardon."

Jane paused in quick curiosity.

The man's clothes were worn and shabby, but he was good to look at, and he was undoubtedly a gentleman. Besides, his eyes were eloquent, with frank admiration of her charming self.

Jane blushed, then suddenly she smiled. "Why should you" she asked lightly.

The man pulled himself together. "I fear I frightened you—that I intrude," he answered, his eyes still fixed upon Jane's blushes.

A whim seized that young lady. "No—I am glad—I was very lonely—I believe I was homesick."

Incredulous delight beamed from the man's eyes.

"And anyhow, the library is free to all," finished Jane discreetly.

The man laughed, more at his ease. "I happen to be John Renshaw," he said, "and I've managed to get off a few days to look up the settlement work a bit. I've had some experience with this sort of thing in London, but you do it rather better than we do, I fancy."

Jane glanced at the well-worn clothes. Here was a man of the people, devoting himself to the welfare of his fellow-men. A sudden distaste of her own luxurious life overwhelmed Jane. High resolve enveloped her.

"It is my life work," she said in a business-like manner.

The man stifled a sigh. She was so distractingly pretty. She had not seemed, somehow, like that sort of a girl.

Not till afterward did it occur to Jane that it was an unheard-of transaction for a girl and a man who were total strangers to sit placidly altogether a whole evening talking at random and watching the logs blazing cheerily on the hearth. Not that they said much; speech seemed unnecessary to their sudden, mysterious companionship.

Late in the evening Jane rose suddenly. A guilty consciousness of the relatives' sentiments, could they see her, overwhelmed her.

"I should have gone before," she said nervously.

The man eyed her reproachfully. "It is so early!" he objected. He had risen and his eyes were very bright and eager as they met hers. "I may see you again? You will come to-morrow evening?" he pleaded.

Jane was distinctly uneasy. The frank admiration of this self-possessed young working man was disconcerting.

"I am not sure——" she began.

The man stepped forward impulsively. "You will come?" he entreated.

Jane's eyes filled and she grew pink with confusion; she felt an unaccustomed tumult of mind.

"Y-e-s," she faltered.

But it was an altogether different young woman who stepped inside the library curtains the evening following. This was a dignified young person who held her head haughtily and gave no sign of the thrill of satisfaction she felt as she saw him spring joyously to his feet. She had determined to treat him courteously, but in a distant, impersonal fashion. Thus might a young woman unravel the net she had woven and a presuming young man be taught his proper sphere.

He came swiftly toward her, with a sigh of relief. "At last!" he said contentedly; and there was cheery friendliness—and something more—in his voice.

Jane nodded coolly. "You were waiting," she questioned. "Ah, yes—I had forgotten."

The delight faded from the man's eyes. "I could hardly hope that you would remember, it is enough that I should," he replied courteously.

Jane looked up at him and then down again very quickly. There was something in his face that made her heart beat furiously. Uppermost in her mind was the thought that no matter what he said or what she felt, she must remember her responsibilities and what was expected of her. Refusing the chair he pulled invitingly forward, she reached meaninglessly for a book on the table beside her.

"I think this is mine," she said, and picking it up she turned to leave the room.

But he was between her and the door—six-feet-two of masculine determination.

"I beg that you will allow me to speak," he entreated.

Jane crossed the room and sat down before the fire. He followed her and stood leaning against the mantel. She glanced at him furtively. She liked his honest eyes, his firm square jaw and the way he held himself in his coarse working clothes, and then she was suddenly seized with the conviction that she was going to cry.

"As I told," he said steadily, "I came down here for the purpose of studying the settlement work and comparing it with the same work in Whitechapel. That has been my only reason for living here—until yesterday—but now—since last night—there is another motive—stronger one. May I tell you?" he ended softly.

He stopped and looked at her, but she did not raise her eyes from the fire.

"You do not show much interest in my reason," he said reproachfully.

"I am sure your motives do you credit," she said lightly. "I am sure——" She glanced at her watch and rose hastily to her feet. "I shall be late for the Boys' Club," she said hurriedly.

He bowed. "I beg your pardon," he said, with quick pride. "I am keeping you." He crossed the room to the doorway. "I will bid you good-bye," he said formally, "as I am leaving in the morning." And with another bow he held aside the draperies and stood, looking very straight and handsome and feeling unreasonably hurt and miserable, as she passed through.

It was that same night that Jane had her first serious call to duty. She was sent to one of her old ladies who had been taken suddenly ill and, she decided that she must spend the night. The messenger who had accompanied her to the tenement returned to Doctor Weston with the message to that effect. Later in the evening the old lady's so-called illness departed as abruptly as it had appeared, and she sat up in the bed and demanded broth in a surprisingly natural manner.

Jane decided that her services were no longer necessary, and leaving her charge in the care of a good-natured neighbor she started for the settlement building. The evening was pleasant, with the chill of early autumn in the air, and although it was midnight the street was not yet deserted. Jane hurried along with a nervous realization of the hour and unfamiliar neighborhood, and turned with a sigh of relief into a side street near the settlement. The street was empty and dark save for the occasional flickering light from a lamp. As she hastened on she became aware of footsteps behind her. She quickened her pace and the footsteps quickened to match hers. Jane was not a nervous girl, and when put to it, could display considerable courage, but the heavy footsteps threw her into a panic of fear. At the corner she turned sharply to the north and as she did the man who had been following her came up behind her and, walking on beside her, surveyed her deliberately from head to foot. Jane threw a fearful glance behind her and her heart flew up into her throat. For a few steps she hurried on and the man kept pace beside her; then he leaned over her and a voice came out of the darkness where his face was.

"Aw, come on now, can't ye speak to a feller?" he said.

Jane took a step back, too frightened to utter a sound, and the man stepped directly in front of her, but as he put out his hand to touch her she twisted in his grasp, and, summoning all her strength, gave one long, piercing call for help. With a muttered oath, the man gripped her by the arms, and then so suddenly that they both started, another figure stood out of the darkness. In the flickering light from the street lamp Jane saw the swing of broad shoulders, and a familiar face that looked out, calmly, from under a worn felt hat.

At the sight her heart stopped pounding against her side, and she leaned against the wall in precipitate relief. For a moment he looked at her, then turned to the man beside her. Through the confusion of her thoughts she dimly saw the man, who had quickly placed himself in a position of defence, strike at the newcomer heavily, and the newcomer turned and struck the man twice across the face; then he caught him by the throat and pounded him savagely and effectively. He was very cool and deliberate about it, and when he had finished the man threw up his hands and fell heavily backward, where he lay, moaning and swearing painfully. The newcomer eyed him with evident satisfaction, then turned to the girl, who was watching him in breathless, frightened admiration.

With the blood of "ancestors who had carefully guarded their womankind" boiling in his veins, he promptly tucked her under his arm, and turned down the street toward the College Settlement.

"Where are your people?" he demanded vehemently, "that they allow you to run risks like this?"

He looked down to where a sound of gentle sobbing came from under his arm.

"Have you no parents?" he went on, indignantly. "No brothers — no relatives? Do you not see that you must not subject yourself to this sort of thing?"

June saw very clearly.

"Will you promise me never to place yourself in so perilous a situation again?" The indignation in his voice had been replaced by a note that had been there earlier in the evening.

"Will you promise?"

He bent his head so he could see her face.

"I promise," said Jane, meekly.

Her clasp of the hand on his arm tightened.

"Go back to your own people," he said, softly. "Stay with them until——"

He did not seem able to go on immediately, but stopped in the dreary, deserted street, and looked at her with eloquent eyes.

"I tried to tell you something before," he said, simply. "Some time, when you know me better, may I try again?"

Jane blushed crimson in the dark. "Perhaps—some time——" she began. Then she looked with a thrill straight up into his eyes.

"Yes," she said gently.

Even a workingman is human, John Renshaw bent and kissed the sweet, flushed face so near his own.

The next morning the relatives received the erstwhile rebellious young kinswoman with open arms. There was a subdued gentleness about her that caused them to smile wisely at each other behind Jane's back. "She has profited by her mistake," they whispered knowingly.

Profited? She walked downstairs into the library, where a fire was burning, and, sitting down by the fireplace, took her hot cheeks in her hands. Her heart still beat wildly with the memory of the other hands that had held hers, and the lips that had kissed her.

Everywhere she looked she saw a tall, strong figure that carried its rough working clothes with the ease of a king. What did his poverty matter? She had enough for both. He did not know that yet. He had wanted to tell her of himself last night, but she had allowed no explanations. "Wait until to-morrow," she had said, and he had humored her whim. And now he was coming, and she sat smiling into the dancing flames. She was proud of him. She would stand between him and his detractors——

She came out of her dream to her feet with a spring. The front door had opened; she heard muffled voices in the hall. Then Johnson drew aside the portieres with a low bow.

"The Earl of Chilcote," he announced pompously, stepping aside to admit a most magnificent personage. A Bond street tailor spoke through every line of his well-cut clothes—a white gardenia graced his buttonhole—his face radiated happiness, and he crossed the room to where Jane stood and took her hand in his.

"And you have all this," he said impulsively, "and would have taken me as you saw me—poor—a working man."

Jane looked at him, bewildered, dismayed.

"Who are you?" she questioned fearfully.

"John Lawrence Renshaw, and very much at your service," drawing her toward him. "I happen also to be called the Earl of Chilcote," he added with the reluctance of the true Britisher to confessing position.

His arms tightened and he bent to kiss her.

"I will never forgive you," sobbed Jane into the depths of the Bond street coat.

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They were married the following spring.

The Earl's family came over from England for the ceremony, and even royalty sent congratulations. The relatives foregathered in a delighted bunch.

As the Cunard liner that was to take the pair to England was about to sail, a reporter drew the Earl aside from a group of congratulatory friends.

"What is there left for me to say?" said the peer, good-naturedly. "You have already printed my opinion on everything, from America to matrimony."

"There is one thing more. It will be a great favor," replied the representative of the great American press. "We have heard of your interest in sociology and of the great work you have accomplished in the London slums. What, may I ask, is your opinion of the sociological movement in this country?"

The Earl glanced across the deck to where his wife stood—slender, graceful, the centre of a laughing group. She caught his glance and sent him a little, fleeting smile.

The Earl turned a radiant face to the reporter.

"Your sociological movement is full of possibilities—and wonderful results," he said with deep conviction.

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MARRIAGES STILL MADE AT GRETNA

The visitor who crosses the border may still see the house where in the "good old days" the Gretna Green blacksmith was wont to perform a convenient marriage ceremony for runaway couples anxious to avoid stern parents by being wedded according to Scottish law. Few, however, would have suspected that the custom was being revived, says the London Mail.

Yet inquiries prove conclusively that marriages are being celebrated at Gretna Green to-day in practically the same circumstances as a hundred years ago.

The "priest" of Gretna Green to-day is not a blacksmith. By trade he is a joiner; but utterly he has retired from his work and has taken upon himself the more dignified duty of uniting lovers in wedlock. His name is Peter Dixon—an elderly man with piercing eyes, dark hair and beard, and a stoop in his walk, he might have stepped from the pages of J. M. Barrie or Ian Maclaren.

"Ay, there was a marriage yesterday," he replied to an inquiry by our representative. "One of the fowk came fra' Maxwelltown."

"Have you had many couples here?" was the next question.

"Ay, a few," acknowledged Peter. He explained that the couples simply drove to Gretna for the ceremony and departed as soon as this was over.

The joiner-parson was careful to point out that one of the parties is supposed to have been resident in Scotland for twenty-one days before the ceremony takes place. But asked how he assured himself on this point he simply replied, "I just tak' their word for it."

He added that the marriages were performed sometimes in his own home and sometimes in the local public-house (the Queen's Head), and that he is willing to marry couples at all hours.

One of the villagers asked him to show the interviewer the marriage register, but he refused. The details of the ceremony were, he said, "quite private," but he intimated that he usually called in two villagers as witnesses. What he charged for performing the ceremony he would not state, but significantly observed that some of the couples were "awfu' hard up."

"Well, how is the new opera house progressing?" inquired the patent churn man who had just returned from a somewhat extended trip.

"First rate," triumphantly replied the landlord of the Tullytown tavern. "The walls are up high enough so's a man was able to fall off yesterday and break his collar bone."

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NOTICE.—Is hereby given that W. H. Berridge, F. C. Berridge and W. W. Berridge, carrying on business as commission agents, under the firm name of Berridge & Co., at Victoria, B. C., have this day dissolved partnership by mutual consent. W. W. Berridge will in future carry on the business alone. March 24th, 1906.

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MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

Sewer Rental and Sewer Construction Tax.

Public notice is hereby given that under the provisions of "The Sewers By-Law, 1902," the roll for the year 1906 has been prepared and filed in my office, showing the owner of lands and real property fronting upon each branch, main, or common sewer or drain laid in the city of Victoria, and showing the number of feet frontage of the land of each owner so fronting, and giving the name and address of each owner, and also giving the amounts each one is assessed in respect to sewer rental and sewer connection tax, which are to be paid according to the said By-Law. Any person whose name appears therein may petition the Council in manner hereinafter mentioned, viz.: "Any person dissatisfied with the number of feet frontage with which he is assessed upon such roll, whether upon the ground that the measurement is incorrect, or that the land and real property are not liable to taxation or are inequitably assessed under the provisions of this By-Law, may, not later than the 1st day of April in each year petition the Council for an alteration in such roll, and shall state his grounds for requiring an alteration."

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WANTED—Two house painters and a paperhanger; must be reliable. Apply J. Sears, 93 Yates street.

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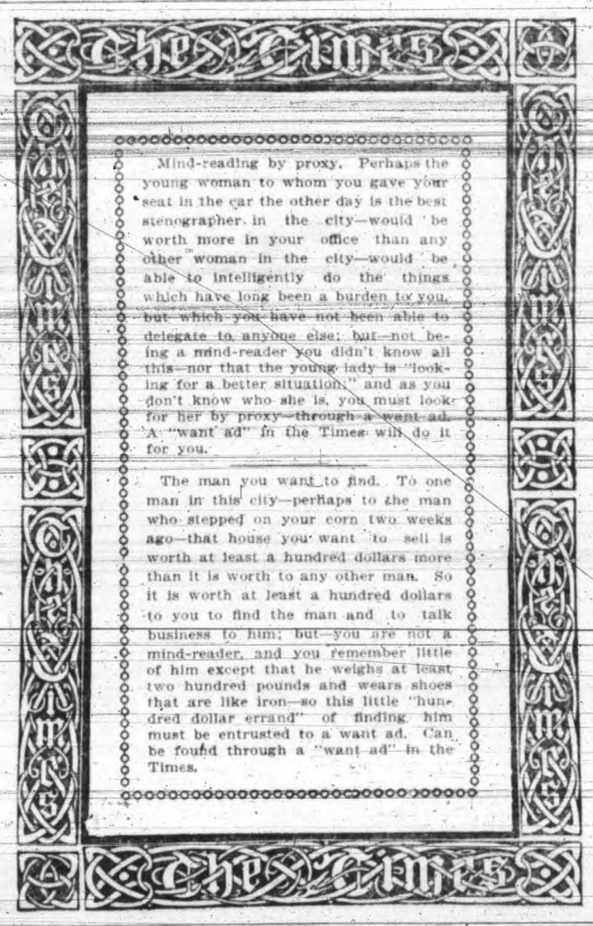

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz.—A free miner's certificate is granted upon payment in advance of $5 per annum for an individual, and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet.

The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1 an acre.

The patent provides for the payment of a royalty of 2½ per cent. on the sales.

PLACER mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee $5, renewable yearly.

A free miner may obtain two leases to dredge for gold of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable at the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles. Rental, $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of 2½ per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTHWEST HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Provinces, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded upon by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 160 acres, more or less.

Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires, he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the local agent for the district in which the land is situate, receive authority for some one to make entry for him.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES: A settler who has been granted an entry for a homestead is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of this Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT should be made at the end of three years, before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent or the Homestead Inspector.

Before making application for patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of his intention to do so.

NOTICE.

To Whom It May Concern:

By deed duly executed and delivered by Robert Mowat, grocer, carrying on business at No. 77 Yates street, Victoria, B. C., the said Robert Mowat assigned and transferred to me all book debts or sums of money owing to him prior to April 5th, 1906.

Debtors are required forthwith to settle accounts in full, and can obtain receipt either at 77 Yates street or from myself personally.

E. E. WELCH,
Cor. Government and Yates Sts.
Victoria, April 5th, 1906.

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NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, having determined that it is desirable to construct and lay permanent sidewalks of concrete on the following streets, viz.:

1. South side of Heywood avenue, from Blanchard avenue to Rupert street.
2. North and south sides of Avalon road, from Government street to Douglas street.
3. South side of Erie street, from Dallas road to St. Lawrence street.
4. East side of Rendall street, from Niagara street to Simcoe street.
5. West side of Montreal street, from Kingston street to Belleville street.
6. West side of Government street, from Toronto street to Dallas road.
7. South side of Niagara street, from Menzies street to Douglas street.
8. North side of Quebec street, from Menzies street to Oswego street.
9. North side of Michigan street, from Government street to Menzies street.

And that each and every of said works should be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Improvement General By-Law," and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said By-Law, upon the said works of Local Improvement, giving statements showing the amounts chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property benefited thereby, and their reports having been adopted by the Council,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reports in question are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk's Office. C. M. C.
Victoria, B. C., March 28th, 1906.

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Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land: Commencing at a point 10 chains east of a post planted at the foot of a little mountain, about 2 chains south of the Eekhemick River, and about 1¾ miles from its confluence with the Homalko River, Coast District; thence 60 chains south; thence 60 chains east; thence 60 chains south; thence 60 chains west to the east boundary of Lot 226; thence north 40 chains; thence west 20 chains; thence north 20 chains; thence west 20 chains along the eastern and northern boundaries of Lot 226 and E. J. Matthews' No. 1 application; thence 60 chains north; thence 40 chains east to point of commencement. Dated this 10th day of March, 1906.

WM. MUNSIE.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situate on Estero Basin, Frederick Arm, Range One, Coast District, British Columbia: Commencing at a stake situate about 20 chains N. of the S. E. corner of Lot 275, Range 1 aforesaid, thence running E. 80 chains, thence N. 80 chains, thence W. 80 chains, thence S. 80 chains to point of commencement. Location No. 1, located 17th March, 1906.

A. H. GOULD.
Victoria, B. C., March 23rd, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situate on Estero Basin, Range 1, Coast District, British Columbia: Commencing at a stake situate about 30 chains from the N. E. corner of Estero Basin, thence running 80 chains E., thence 80 chains S., thence 80 chains W., thence 80 chains N., to point of commencement. Located March 17th, 1906.

O. B. WHITTNEY.
Victoria, B. C., March 23rd, 1906.

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THOUSANDS SEEK SAFETY IN FLIGHT

MANY REFUGEES HAVE ARRIVED IN NAPLES

Eruptions of Vesuvius are Less Violent--The Stream of Lava is Diminishing.

(Associated Press.)

New York, April 9.—The Evening Sun prints the following: "Naples, April 9th.—Better news is received this morning from the villages about Mount Vesuvius. The violence of the eruption spread throughout the region. Since last evening the stream of lava that was moving towards Torre Annunziate has been diminishing, and the eruptions of the volcano are less violent.

"The rain of ashes ceased for a time last night, and showers of cinders again fell upon Naples at intervals today.

"The Giorone says that 150,000 from the afflicted district are in Naples, and that 10,000 inhabitants of Bosco Caprocase have already fled from their homes. King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena to-day made a trip to the villages at the foot of the volcano. They arrived here from Rome at 7 o'clock this morning and departed at once in motor cars for the threatened district."

TO PREVENT FALSE REPORTS.

Ottawa, April 9.—Hon. A. B. Aylesworth in the House to-day said that the Dominion government had communicated with the Imperial authorities asking them to pass legislation similar to that of Canada to prevent false presentation being made to the United Kingdom to induce immigration to Canada. This is in accordance with Ralph Smith's suggestion.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BOY WANTED—To work in store. Apply 59 Government street.

WANTED—Young girl, about 15 years old, to mind child and do light chores. Apply at 6 Simcoe street after 6 p. m. any day.

WANTED—To lease, 6 or 7 room house with large lot, near end of street car line, on water front. Address "Water Front," Times Office.

CUT FLOWERS.

EASTER LILIES—From 50c. up. Our stock is large and we can suit all purses. Take a look at our display. Flewin's Flower Store, opposite Post Office.

COMPANIONS OF THE FOREST will hold their annual Primrose social dance on April 19th in A. O. U. W. hall. Admission, gents, 50 cents; ladies, 25 cents.

NOTICE—Will the person that lost five chickens on seventh or eighth instant apply to Arthur Carter, Provincial Police Department?

FOR SALE—2 cocker spaniel pups, 5 months old. Apply Box 93, city.

TO LET—Small, well furnished cottage. Apply 32 Quadra street.

BOOKKEEPER AND STENOGRAPHER wants position immediately; highest references. Apply to W. F., 33 Birdcage Walk, city.

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ANOTHER CHAPTER IN COLLINS CASE

HE WINS ON HABEAS CORPUS PROCEEDING

Exception is Taken However to Course and He is Again Lodged in Jail.

Geo. D. Collins after gaining his freedom for a few hours in San Francisco is again confined to jail. On Wednesday last Mr. Collins filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Judge de Haven made an order citing Sheriff Thomas F. O'Neil to appear in court at 10 o'clock Saturday morning to show cause why the writ should not issue.

Collins' petition recites that on July 13th, 1905, while he was residing in Victoria, B. C., the grand jury of the city and county of San Francisco presented an indictment charging him with having committed perjury on June 30th, 1905, in the Superior court by fasely swearing that he did not on May 15th, 1889, or at any other time, marry Charlotta Eugenie Newman, and that he and she were never at any time husband and wife. He avers that he was extradited from British Columbia to San Francisco for trial upon that indictment alone, but that while in custody of the United States under extradition the grand jury, on December 29th, in violation of the treaty and of section 5,275, Revised Statutes of the United States, presented another indictment charging him with perjury, which perjury, if committed at all must have been committed prior to his extradition, and that upon said indictment he was taken forcibly out of the custody of the Federal authorities and placed in custody of the state authorities. The petitioner contends that the state is absolutely without a vestige of authority in matters of international extradition, all power over the subject being vested by the constitution in the United States, and that that power is necessarily exclusive. It is further contended that in international affairs, and in the matter of extradition from a foreign nation the several states of the United States are entirely and absolutely unknown, and the fact that the state court is permitted to try and to dispose of the case does not operate to transfer the federal custody of the accused to the state.

On Saturday evening the hearing of the application for habeas corpus came up. The contention of the prisoner was sustained, and he was released on sureties to the amount of $25,000 furnished by Mrs. McCurdy and her daughter Carlotta, the present Mrs. Collins.

A dispatch from San Francisco under yesterday's date says: "Assistant District Attorney Hoff Cook visited Superior Judge Graham this afternoon and protested against the judge's action of last night in granting an alternative writ of habeas corpus to Attorney George D. Collins and allowing the accused man to be liberated on $25,000 bail. Attorney Cook declared that the statute expressly declared that the district attorney should be consulted in such matters, and that no notice of Collins' petition had been given that official. Upon this showing, Judge Graham vacated both of his orders of last night, and directed the sheriff to rearrest Collins. Deputies found Collins at a hotel, and took him back to the county jail."

THE "BOOSTER" CLUB.

Mayor Morley Emphasizes Importance of Assistance of Victoria Ladies.

The proposed organization of a 100,000 club is still the subject of discussion among those interested in the advancement of the city's interests. It is safe to say, judging by the general enthusiasm, that the council chambers will be crowded to-morrow evening. Mayor Morley is busy arranging an appropriate programme. As stated in these columns on Monday, he is anxious to have every class represented among the speakers. An invitation has been extended Premier McBride and members of the cabinet, prominent business men, gentlemen dealing in rather smaller enterprises, and delegates from the Trades and Labor Council.

When discussing the question with His Worship Mayor Morley this morning a Times reporter was informed that the ladies of Victoria are expected to demonstrate their anxiety to inaugurate a period of prosperity by attending to-morrow night's gathering in large numbers. His argument is that they are no less concerned in the progress of the community, commercially and otherwise, than the business men themselves. Therefore they are expected to lend a helping hand to the movement, and the Mayor, continuing, paid them a compliment by adding that the measure of its success would depend a great deal upon the amount of interest taken by the fair sex. Several of the most prominent of their representatives have been asked to speak, and, it is understood, have agreed to do so.

Mayor Morley has assumed personal charge of the proceedings of the meeting and promises those attending a rousing time. The programme is being carefully arranged and its outcome promises to be the organization of the most influential club ever formed in Victoria.

PERSONAL.

F. A. Quigley, W. H. Griffin and wife, A. C. White and wife, C. H. Hewett, wife and child, Geo. P. Downey and E. E. Howland, of Vancouver; E. D. Gates, of Toronto; Y. D. Gauthier, of Rossland; S. W. Bodley, of New Westminster; T. Sarstall, of Brandon; J. Donovan and J. Ritson, of San Francisco; and W. Welby, of Kamloops, are at the King Edward.

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Capt. William Moore and Mrs. Moore, of Skagway, are in the city on a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Capt. William Meyer, 108 Dallas road. Capt. Moore went north before the Klondike rush and secured the Skagway townsite. It is likely that he and Mrs. Moore will take up their residence in Victoria.

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Mrs. H. C. Bellinger and C. H. Pull, of Crofton; Miss E. Maitland Dougall, of Koksilah; W. R. Dockrill and wife, of Chemainus; C. A. Crosby and C. M. Marpole, of Vancouver; E. F. Gunthef, of Toronto, and Jos. Youngheart, of Montreal, are at the Driard.

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Lieut. Vivian R. Brandon, R. N., and Miss Brandon, started for Liverpool last evening. They will cross the continent on the North Coast Limited and sail from New York on April 20th per steamship Celtic.

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John Stevens, late of H. M. S. Egeria, left for Southampton, England, last Saturday night, travelling via the Northern Pacific North Coast Limited and steamship Philadelphia.

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B. E. Stone, of New York; J. A. Downs and wife, of Montreal; and G. Walker, of Seattle, are among those who registered recently at the St. Francis.

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Mrs. Skillings has arrived in Victoria and will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. W. J. McRae, Oak Bay avenue.

H. J. Scott, manager of the Hamilton Powder Co., has gone on a business trip to San Francisco, travelling overland.

D. Nicholson, mayor of Ladysmith, and S. B. Bray and wife, of Wolsley, Alberta, are guests at the Dominion.

Dr. Garesche has left on a trip to Cuba. He expected to be absent a month or thereabouts.

Editor Wilhelm, of the Coast Magazine, published in Seattle, is in the city.

F. Van Norman returned to Nelson, B. C., last evening.

—Search was made by the members of the city police this morning in the waters of the harbor, off Brackman & Ker's wharf, for the body of a young man named Mankelon, a fireman, who has been missing for about a week from a freighter now lying at the wharf. The man's clothes were found in his cabin with the money he had first drawn, and a bank book showing a deposit of £150 in a London bank. It was presumed that he went on deck after preparing to go to bed and fell overborad. No trace was found of his body.

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The undersigned begs to notify all persons in arrears for taxes for the year 1903, that to prevent their property being advertised for sale, the same must be paid at my office on or before the 28th day of April, 1906.

CHARLES KENT,
Collector.

City Hall, April 3rd, 1906.

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THE ELECTRIC SPRINKLER.

Council Will Decide To-Night With Regard to Proposed Car For Watering Streets.

At the meeting of the city council to-night a contract will probably be signed with the mahagement of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company for the building and operation of watering car in this city. City Engineer Topp has been to Vancouver examing the car which has just gone into use in that city, and he has come to the conclusion that if a car is built here in accordance with present intentions, Victoria can have a much better sprinkler than that in the Terminal City. Mr. Topp says that he noted several important changes which might be introduced in the way of improvements, not the least being that of increased air pressure. That with which the Vancouver car is supplied, he thinks, is a little deficient.

If the contract for the new car is signed to-night, work upon it will be commenced at once and carried through to completion at the earliest possible date.

LINER ARRIVES.

The C. P. R. Steamer Montreal Carried Nearly Fifteen Hundred Passengers.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, April 9.—The C. P. R. steamship Montreal, from Antwerp, arrived at St. John, N. B., at 5.30 p. m., Saturday, April 7th, with 1,476 passengers.

MARRIED.

PRIOR-VOSPER — At Vancouver, on April 4th, by Rev. E. Robson, L. J. Prior and Miss Mary Vosper.

DIED.

COLLIS—At the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital, on the 7th instant, Edmond C. Collis, a native of Pimlico, London, England, aged 69 years and 5 months.

The funeral will take place from the family residence, No. 7 Phoenix Place, James Bay, on Tuesday, April 10th, at 2 p. m., and at Christ Church Cathedral at 2.30 o'clock.

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Final Notice.

All holders of tags, certificates or coupons redeemable for premiums are requested to send them in for redemption without delay and get their premiums, as we will positively close our premium department on April 30th, 1906, after which date no tags, certificates or coupons will be received or redeemed.

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